

Millard Education Association Representative Council Meeting  
ZOOM Meeting Monday, April 6, 2020 4:30 p.m.  
MINUTES

- I. NSEA Candidates (3 min to speak before the meeting is called to order): Linda Freye - NEA Director and Bobby Miller NSEA Vice President
- II. NSEA President—Jenni Benson

Meeting called to order at 4:57 p.m.

- III. Agenda Revisions/Additions ~ none, approved as submitted
- IV. Routine Matters
  - A. Approval of the March BR Minutes ~ no discussion, approved as submitted
  - B. Approval of Financial Report – Treasurer’s Report ~ no discuss, approved as submitted
- V. Information Items
  - A. Elections Committee Report for DA and RA—Reynee ~ DA and RA delegates shared from elections. 17 for DA and 6 for RA, with one alternate. DA 4/25/2020 via zoom. Still waiting to hear by the first part of May for RA.
  - B. Membership Plan—Marsha and Andy ~ Early enrollment started 4/1/20 and runs through August. Only open to people who have never been members. Have lists of nonmembers to connect with; let Marsha know if you want to help talk to teachers. If they join now, they will get NSEA supports but no legal services and do not start paying until 10/2020. Phone calls are easy to do. Legal services start in the upcoming school year.
  - C. Bylaws/Constitution Committee Final Report—Tim and Kathie ~ received a summary document in email. 1st reading. Striking VP as chair of membership, added recall of board members, added requirement that we look at language every 2 years, matched BR responsibilities to policy, added EMAC group, striking Treasurer responsibility for chairing budget cmte, region groups by parts of the district, stipends for cmte chairs and BRs, how candidate nominations are sequenced, etc. See document.
  - D. MEA 2020-2021 Proposed Budget—Kathie ~ 20/21 budget and changes reviewed. Most categories do not have changes. Increases planned in local/state/and or national dues and President’s Dinner, no membership gifts and creation of funds put aside for members that need assistance, continued membership in different local/national organizations and funds for travel, etc. Considering \$5 increase in local ~ \$155 to \$160 or \$3 increase in local dues. See document for specifics and look for email from Paul. Email any questions to Kathie or Paul.
  - E. 2020 NSEA Delegate Assembly—April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020 ~ Delegates will receive email and a paper letter. Will make sure security is evident since there are elections taking place. NSEA needs personal email for voting. Practice zoom on Wed before DA (4/23/20).

- F. MEA President's Dinner—May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020 ~ Have to cancel because the country club is not hosting anything in May. Paul will talk with Michael Croker about rescheduling the event to respect and honor retirees.
- G. Additional Topics? ~ Last day for instruction? - Not determined yet; school board is meeting tonight and may have information from them that Paul can push out. mpsomaha.org website has a zoom address for school board mtg. Questions - Lots of moving parts and district trying their best to get answers out (i.e., grading). GRACE is needed.

VI. Action Items/Unfinished Business

- A. Ratify the 2020 MEA Election Results for DA and RA—Reynee motions on behalf of the election committee to support 17 members elected to DA and 6 members elected to RA. Motion carries.
- B. Bylaws/Constitution Changes—1st Reading—Tim. No additional discussion.
- C. 2020-2021 Proposed Budget—1st Reading—Kathie. No additional questions or discussion.
- D. Additional Items ~ none.

VII. Reports

- A. President's Report ~ April 1st NSEA Legal Hearing; April 6--School Board; April 9--Sutfin/Chick Zoom; April 9--Metro District Meeting; April 15--Capitol District Caucus; April 16--Elkhorn District Caucus; April 20--MEA Exec Team Zoom; April 20--School Board; April 23--Sutfin/Chick Zoom; April 15--NSEA Board Meeting Zoom; April 25--NSEA DA; April 27--MEA BofD; and April 28-May 3--NEA Board Meeting Zoom; May 4--BR mtg
- B. Vice President's Report ~ no report
- C. Treasurer's Report (Financial Statement) ~ submitted. Nothing additional.
- D. NSEA Organizational Specialist Report ~ document submitted via email. Items discussed above.
- E. NSEA/Metro Board Report ~ upcoming mtgs via zoom.
- F. LCCC/Legislative Report ~ voted budget forward and on hold about coming back. Still need to be aware of Linehan's bill - she continues to put in lots of work to drum up support for a bill on property tax relief. Legislative update will be out today. Next Voice and postcard will be out with recommended candidates.
- G. GRC ~ 3 incumbents have filed for School Board. Dana Blakely would like our support for WCS School Board - important to have teachers on School Boards; tell your Westside friends.
- H. School Bond coming up. Have signs at Foundation office during regular business hours. Can help deliver signs. Postcards sent out; need members to help fill out postcards. Absentee voting ballots are up.

VIII. Attachments

- A. Mar 2020 BR Minutes
- B. Mar 2020 Financial Statement
- C. Andy's OS Report
- D. Bylaws/Constitution Changes Summary

IX. Future Agenda Items

Meeting adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Chris Janovec ~ Recording Secretary