

Millard Education Association
Board of Directors Meeting
MEA Office
Omaha, NE
October 28, 2014

Meeting called to order at 5:34 p.m.

Attended by ~ Paul, Marsha, Mandy, Sabine, Cama, Tom, Jason, Chris, Reynee, Aaron, Tim.

Excused~ Melissa, Amy

- I. Adoption of the Board of Directors September Minutes
Motion from Tim, seconded by Jason
No discussion, minutes accepted as submitted.
- II. Adoption of the October 2014 Treasurer's Report
Motion from Aaron, seconded Jason
No discussion, report accepted as submitted.
- III. Information Items
 - A. Membership Update—Marsha ~
1085 total, will have official numbers on 11/22 NSEA mtg
Tom wondered if numbers were dropping
Is EFT impacting other locals? Less than 40 people that have not signed over to EFT across the state
In holding pattern re: switch to EFT, other districts have additional withdrawals
Membership mtg 11/10 at La Mesa at 4:30need to get ideas for gift in spring, want millennials to attend
 - B. Metro Senators Dinner—November 18th at Lo Sole Mio 5:30pm Social, 6:30pm Dinner ~
Paul, Marsha, Reynee, and Chris attending, open to all members if they RSVP to Cathy Schapmann at NSEA
 - C. NCUEA Fall Conference—Dec 3-6, 2014 Nashville, TN ~
examined budget, recommend 4 people attend
 - D. Vintage Financial—Nov 13th at 4:30pm and Nov 15th at 9:30am, both meetings at the Foundation ~
posters out in bldgs., different format to see if attendance is better on weekend
 - E. Additional Topics? ~ none
- IV. Action Items
 - A. MEA President's Hours ~ motion to approve hours from Chris, seconded by Jason – questions posed and answered.
Called to question and motion carried.
 - B. Executive Session (Negotiations) ~
motion to enter at 5:40 from Marsha, seconded by Jason
exited at 6:07 motioned by Sabine, seconded by Jason
 - C. MEA First Quarter Crystal Apple Award Winner Selection ~
5 nominations – Bob Marceau will be the 1st Quarter winner ~ Jason motioned to accept, seconded by Reynee.
Motion carried
 - D. Approval of new Communications Chair ~
Kendra Kortus requested the position. Paul motioned to accept, Jason seconded. Motion carried.
 - E. Approval to consolidate funds from NEA Summit budget, NCUEA conference budget, Negotiations conference budget, and NEA Issues Budget to support sending four people to the NCEUA conference~
motioned by Paul, seconded by Marsha – Tom wondered if this will be a permanent change to the summit, bargaining conference, etc. Sabine asked about who will attend. Tom questioned if negotiations conference is worth it compared to going straight to NSEA – Paul recalled that previous years the NSEA Bargaining Conference had been better, especially when NSEA Legal team explained new laws and procedures. Marsha shared that it is nice to see where other districts are at, agreed there was not enough information the night of the negotiations conference. Tom suggested some fiscal responsibility should be discussed. Marsha reported that NCEUA is more

important than the summit mtg. Cama asked about what opportunities or information is gathered. Called to question, motion carried. 1 abstained.

F. Additional Items?

V. Reports

A. President's Report ~

- a. Foundation Staff Campaign, donations are up from last year and the Foundation Wrap-up Party will be on November 11th at 4:30 p.m. at Upstream West
- b. The Foundation has a proposal from the district to approve \$1.3 in funds to purchase 5 iPads for every elementary classroom and smartboards for all elementary libraries
- c. Foundation grants will be allocated to every bldg., removing the competition based on student population, SPED, ELL, free and reduced, and other factors
- d. District Committee addressing student social and emotional needs held their 1st mtg held – the charge of the committee is to recognize the social and emotional needs of students across the district, then working to consolidate a list of services or resources for student and family needs (an example would be the dental bus at Sandoz)
- e. strategic planning on 10/16 and 17, everyone got Dr. Sutfin's email
- f. SEAN leadership retreat, fall outreach to teach in Minden, NE on Nov 7-8
- g. Negotiations started, we have had two meetings for teachers, and first nurse meeting will be on Oct 30th
- h. NDE Policy Forum

B. Vice-President's Report ~ attended NDE Policy Forum, great discussion; NSEA mtg – a lot about election, talking about membership with NSEA; November 10-17 "It's Yours Pottery" discounts

C. Treasurer's Report (Financial Statement) ~ There are some concerns in regards to the total MEA Budget, we will need to discuss dues – possible consider a dues increase, member perk decrease, etc.

D. NSEA Organizing Specialist Report ~ 11/12-21 in DC for training, coverage in the office, and Mandy will try to complete phone calls in the evening; getting a lot of calls from members who got contact info from BRs and BofD members, please continue; many veteran teachers are calling; need to communicate to BRs about their roles.

E. NSEA/Metro District—next meeting is (NSEA—November 22, 2014) (Metro—November 6, 2014) ~

F. Legislative Report ~ MEA postcard coming out with recommendations for candidates, a number of big race in regards to educational policy; new campaign response from NSEA in regards to info from Ricketts campaign targeting teachers

G. Committee Reports (GRC, Membership, Elections, Negotiations, Budget, Communications) ~ no reports

VI. Future Agenda Items

Adjourned ~ 7:18 p.m.

Respectively submitted, Chris Janovec