FCMENC Executive Board Meeting

August 30, 2008

- I. Call to Order 1:18 PM- Nick Casiano
- II. Reading of the Minutes- Motion to Wave (Brown/Stearns) Motion Approved
 - a. Approval (Brown/Robinson) Approved
- III. Reports
 - a. Advocacy
 - i. Presidential Election
 - Amendment 5: Would replace property taxes used to fund schools with money from other sources. The only source mandated is that next school year cannot be funded less than this year, however has nothing clear about future years. This would remove \$9.5 billion FMEA votes "no."
 - 2. Amendment 7: Allows education funding to go into private and religious schools. FMEA votes "no."
 - 3. Amendment 9: Changes money from public education, to public money for education. FMEA votes "no."
 - 4. Election is Nov. 4; register by Oct. 6
 - b. Secretary
 - i. Submit information by September 13th for the September newsletter
 - 1. Board members to write articles
 - a. Nick
 - b. Jon
 - c. Jessica
 - ii. Send out newsflash about January Conference hotels and prices
 - iii. Send out newsflash to presidents concerning registering for FMEA
 - c. Treasurer
 - i. Budget will be emailed once all figures are finished. Email any changes you may have and we will vote in October.
 - d. President-elect

- i. Learning the system from Nick and David
- ii. Will begin to collaborate with the FCMEA president elect to plan next year.
- iii. Also is going to work on action plan for next year.
- e. President
 - i. Will get information to web chair for website
 - 1. Board update
 - 2. Conference information
 - ii. Spring conference
 - 1. Sessions are in the system
 - a. Board meeting
 - b. President meeting
 - c. Two business meetings
 - d. Graduate school session
 - e. Tri M session
 - f. Possibly session with FCMEA

IV. Old Business

- a. Fall Conference
 - i. Dates: October 10th and 11th
 - ii. Friday Evening Sessions
 - 1. Elementary Speaker has not contacted David back, so it is assumed she will not be able to address FCMENC.
 - 2. We only have one large room currently booked.
 - 3. Discussion
 - a. Cancel Friday Evening?
 - i. We can keep the room for our board meeting and move our meeting time to later in the evening.
 - ii. We can plan for a president's forum. We will pay for their hotel rooms if they attend.

- iii. Saturday
 - 1. 9 10: Don Esther (Keynote Address)
 - 2. 10:15 11:25:
 - 3. 11:30-1:00: Lunch
 - 4. 1:00-1:50:
 - 5. 2:00-2:50: FBA FVA FOA Presidents(David will confirm)
 - 6. 3:00-3:50: Preparing for Interview Session: Mike Parks
 - 7. 4:00-4:50: Don Ester (Closing Session)
- iv. Speakers
 - 1. Ideas to fill slots
 - a. Elementary Session morning
 - b. Technology Session afternoon
 - c. "No" to Don Ester for another session
 - 2. Costs
 - a. Will charge members \$15 for the conference
 - b. This is required to pay for our speakers
- b. Spring Conference
 - i. Coordinator for Tri M Session: David Verdoni
 - ii. Graduate School Session: Nick Casiano
 - iii. We are all happy to coordinate and present sessions and mini concerts
- c. Spring Conference Shirt
 - i. Cardinal Red is the color for the T-shirt
 - ii. Make sure the words are legible and stand out within the design.
 - iii. Two-tone colors for the design

V. New Business

- a. Budget
 - i. Scholarship Stipends

- 1. We will continue to offer this
- 2. We will pay for Thursday and Friday night
- 3. They will help with T-shirt sales

ii. Hotel Rooms

- 1. 5 rooms for our board
- 2. 5 rooms for presidents
- 3. 2 rooms for stipends
- iii. Gas
 - 1. Reimbursements will follow the state with the increase in gas prices

b. Remaining Meetings

- i. October 10th: Board meeting at 6 pm, president's forum to follow
- ii. October 11th: Recap following the conference
- iii. January
- c. President Forum: Information to be given out
 - i. How we all work together in FMEA: David Verdoni
 - ii. District maps: Amanda Mole
 - iii. Calendar of deadlines: Nick Casiano
 - iv. Contact List: Mindi Robinson
 - 1. FCMENC Board
 - 2. Presidents of components
 - 3. Chapter Presidents
 - v. Recommended speakers: Michelle Guest
 - vi. Advocacy: Jon Brown
 - vii. Sign up for articles: Mindi Robinson

VI. Additions

- a. David: Will contact us to create binders to pass on to new board members
- b. Nick: Feel free to contact me

- c. Email biography and pictures to Chris Hinojosa for website
- VII. Motion to Adjourn (Casiano/Brown)
 - a. 2:35 PM- Meeting Adjourned

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