

HEA Minutes

October 14, 2009

Meeting called to order at 4:03 at Haysville Middle School.

Those in attendance: Cheryl McConnell; Jennifer Alexander; Sharon Stenholm; Clint Schutte; Shauna Tinnich; Julie Dombo; George Kelly; Joelle Good.

Shauna Tinnich presented the Treasurer report: New Account with Credit Union of America will be opened on Friday, October 16th. Colby from CUA will meet new account on Friday. Old account with Emprise will close when remaining checks have cleared. We will have approximately \$15,000 in account.

Membership Report: (Jennifer Alexander)

Currently have 153 members. Marie Patterson is a half time lifetime member. There have been questions about who is heading support personnel. Clint Schutte and others do not know who is heading this.

Negotiations: Clint reported that negotiations will reopen to discuss the salary schedule only. We do not know if we can fund the salary schedule as is, but hope is to give us a minimal increase. There are 11 districts in state at impasse. Average settlement with mediation is a 1.2% raise. Some districts have taken a loss and the high has been 6.5% based on last school year finances.

Reminder: Facebook Users: This is a very public forum. Each person's page has different people that see posts.

1. Do not use during school hours.
2. Do not post any information about students even without names. This could become a violation of confidentiality issue and lead to legal issues.

Uniserv (South Central Regional KNEA) Meeting Notes:

There will be a meeting November 5th at 5:30 PM. Delegates for State representative assembly need to be turned in by November 1st. They should also plan on attending this meeting.

We are allowed 5 delegates. At \$85 dollars per night, this is becoming very expensive. It was moved and seconded by Julie Dombo and Clint Schutte to nominate Carolyn

Brown, Cheryl McConnell, and Jennifer Alexander as delegates. Motion passed unanimously.

Sectional Assembly will be end of January, 2010. State assembly will be April 17th and 18th. Discussion was held on cost of sending delegates. Carolyn, Jennifer and Cheryl all agreed to paying the cost of one of the nights (if they decided to go up Friday night) in order to have a private room, this will save approximately \$270.00. It was decided to follow Board guidelines for food and to turn in receipts, and we will look into staying at a cheaper place.

KNEA wants you to be aware that KPERS is **NOT** bankrupt. They do want to make changes on our contributions and how much we receive. This includes all state services including police and firemen. State has not been making their contributions to the system.

Surrounding area negotiations:

Goddard received no settlement.

Maize is at impasse and may meet this week and is looking at layoffs.

“Race to Top” video by Alexis Posney, State Superintendent of Education: KNEA does not support this video.

There is a strategic focus grant to discuss NCLB, special education and testing response, anyone that wants to be part of this contact Cheryl or David Kirkbride.

We are discussing some strategic grants in our area.

KNEA is mourning the loss of Sherri Yourdon, the Vice President. Karen Godfrey will replace her. There has been a scholarship established in Sherri’s name for single mother’s continuing their education.

Future Agenda Items: Constitution changes, Survey for Negotiations for next school year.

Respectfully submitted

Carolyn Brown

Secretary