

Board Meeting—Sept. 17, 2011

Members present: Anne Volk, Maggie Townsend, Kristi Frahm, Alan Church, Sue Anderson, Claire Andrus, Laurie Larson, Benita Sauer.

Meeting was called to order by Pres. Anne Volk.

Minutes were approved as posted in the newsletter, approved by Claire, second by Maggie.

TREASURER REPORT

Motion was moved by Claire to pay all bills from Summer Conference—i.e. website Jim Cross , second by Laurie—discussion held, motion approved.

Once all bills are paid, we should have approximately \$6-7000, which also includes the disaster relief money.

Discussion held regarding the Conference feedback. Board felt Sue clarified the reason we continue to have the conference at Seven Seas very well in the newsletter.

Anne has a box of supplies to replenish; it will be brought to future conferences.

RELIEF FUND—the form is in the newsletter for people to apply. We have at least two that have applied for funds.

We don't have a date of when funds will be allocated. Deadline times were discussed. Maggie moved we set a deadline of Dec. 1, 2011; Sue seconds....discussion held. Motion approved.

Claire moved, Laurie second that the exec board will meet to make the decision of flood relief. Approved.

By-law wording—

Maggie sent a draft to Nationals to look over and suggestions were made such as take out dues, etc.

In the spring/summer newsletter the new bylaws have to be published. Maggie will take care of that.

2012 Presenters—

Heather had gotten an email from Louise Erdrich regarding 2013, but no confirmation.

Folgers Shakespeare could be contacted for 2014.

Heather—Todd Witaker (sp) \$8900 plus expenses. \$13,000 up to a day, plus expenses.

Bridget—Tim O'Brien—no info.

Aaron Knodel —Elie Wiesel \$35,000.

Motivational speaker Guy Doud is someone of interest.

Discussion was held on having practical ideas and local members present.

Maggie and Gail —technology

Claire—Common Core
Annie Volk, Maggie—cooperative teaching
Allan Church—curriculum share (ie. World literature.) Panel of teachers. Perhaps do a Survey Monkey prior for teachers to share what they do/not do, etc.
Gerald Vetter is a possibility for Tues afternoon. (Good for the energy!)

Sunday night the suggestion was a “Conference Book Club.” Book suggestions would be in newsletter in spring so members could read prior to conference. However, those who haven’t read them could still participate and get ideas and handouts. Benita Sauer will chair the “Book Club.”
Heather will do the book swap.
Aaron and Kaylie Young will do the novel lesson share.
“A ‘Novel’ Evening”—book swap, novel book club, novel idea share.

Techy Time—another theme option for the technology presentations

Allen Burgad—assessment
NPWP

Mystery Theatre—Brian Brady—teach us how to write one; then we could perform it. (Mon. night)
The evaluation forms indicate that some members feel 80 people at one time is too much---have breakout sessions.

By the Dec. 3 meeting the contacts should be made. Annie will send copies via email of the contracts to those who are contacting people.

A board meeting is schedule Dec.3 in Jamestown. We need to finalize the schedule. Discussion was held regarding the need to meet in Dec. We could do our scheduling via email/phone and have a spring meeting. Sue, made a motion that contracts will be due by Nov. 1, and if we don’t have enough contracts met, we **will** meet in Jamestown. Claire seconds. Approved.

We have to think about THEMES for the program.

Spring meeting is tentatively planned for April 14, 2012 at Laurie’s house at 4:00. (Benits’s backup!)

Meeting was adjourned.