

WEST SUBURBAN COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, February 2, 2009 5 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Debbie Brent at 5:03 p.m.

PRESENT: Debbie Brent, Sandy Nass, Tom Zigan, Art Fiet, Beth Stoskopf, Mary Butkus, Debbie Brent, Julie Stringer, Jeff Sikich, Jeanne Hanson, and Kathy Ceel

Minutes of Dec. 1st were approved as written, same with this meeting's agenda with flexibility.

New business items (WAES renewal, WSC goals, and PAC requests) were approved to add to the agenda.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT-Debbie Brent

- 1) The initial school reform press conference is rolling out on Feb. 3rd at Nathan Hale. We need to get back to Kim Wiemer Noyce from WEAC on what we can do to keep the momentum going for school reform. Suggestions: try to bring out talking points, collect stories of problems in the schools, try to partner with the district (example: PTA), or partner with legislature to have an impact. .
- 2) Thanks were given to Julie Stringer for making *The Source* such a well-written, informative paper. Next one will be coming out in May.
- 3) Skipped the WEA Budget request.
- 4) No one is going to the Winter Conference at this time. WA/WM has there winter break day that weekend.
- 5) As far as the associate staff agreement, it seems that both sides want this to work. There will be a USU vote for ratification on Saturday, February 7th.
- 6) Presidents will be getting information, on or around Feb. 15th for the representative meeting for the annual NEA 2009 convention in San Diego.
- 7) A handout was given about the candidates who are running for superintendent on Feb. 17th. WEAC recommends Tony Evers.
- 8) We were given a thank you from the Wisconsin Alliance for Excellent Schools.
- 9) Special Public School Employee Appreciation offer is being given at the Osthoff Resort in Elkhart Lake from March 1-April 30th. It is starting at \$89.00.

TREASURER'S REPORT-Mary Butkus

- 1) The audit was completed. Line 4102 dues will now be paid. Line 1015 will be paid by Wauwatosa for the signs etc.. that they needed to make in order to inform the public that the teachers were being QEO'd.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT-Sandy Nass

- 1) Sandy handed out her report. The next SE Bargaining meeting is Feb. 17th at Bowlero and the next USEFULL workshop is on Feb. 23rd on privacy in the workplace at the UEP Building.
- 2) The WAWM District has agreed to upgrade the remaining Special Education II positions to category III effective with the second semester. It amounts to about \$2.00 more an hour.

WSC RETIRED- Art Fiet

- 1) Sari King is scheduled to speak on March 11th. There is an election in the spring, but as of right now, most of the retirees are in Arizona.

UEPBC REPORT- Ed Doemland

No report

WEA DELEGATE REPORT-TomZigan

- 1) Tom gave his major report at the RA.
- 2) Feb. 21, 22, and 23rd there is a budget meeting. It is the second year of a two year cycle.
- 3) WEAC.org will be up and running by the end of March.
- 4) WEAC Trust Program received glowing reviews. It is #1 in service.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1) Mary and Beth met with Anita about her job description. A draft was given so that everyone can take a look at it, and then there will be a vote on it next month in March. Then they will go back to Anita with any changes. Anita agrees with everything on the evaluation form.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) We have been asked by WAES to sign up again this year for an amount of \$200.00 and .25 per member (\$500.00 with 1100 members). **Motion carried.**
- 2) Citizen Action, affiliate membership with them for "Got Healthcare?" for \$195.00, **Motion carried.**
- 3) Chad Lehman needs a new person to take over the WEAC Bargaining goals committee. It is a statewide committee and it meets about 2-3 times a year.
- 4) Kelley, who has always taken care of the PAC money, is looking for someone to take over for her. She suggested that it go to the Treasurer. In July and Jan., we need to file with the State Election Board. Mary Butkus was agreeable to doing it.
- 5) Sandy suggested giving \$1000.00 to Tony Evers and \$1000.00 to Shirley Abrahamson for their campaigns. We currently have \$2400.00 in PAC money available. **Motion carried.**

Meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by;

Kathy Ceel

WSC Secretary