

NARENWICH November 13, 2009
Board Meeting Minutes

Reports

Secretary – A motion was made to approve the Sept 25th meeting minutes. Motion approved.

Treasurer – Marty explained the Treasurer's report. Current checking account balance is \$7304.41 with a total balance of checking and savings is \$17,401.78. A motion was made to approve the treasurer's report. Motion passed.

Past President – Heidi shared an email from Sally about elections. Regions 3, 5, and 6 are open this year. Kim Hoffman and Guy Powell are both interested in running again. Randy is looking for a representative from Region 5.

President – Heidi initiated a discussion on the November newsletter. Betsy will put together a template for the newsletter. Items to be included conference information, elections, snip of useful techniques or useful strategies.

President-Elect – Nothing at the time.

Committee Reports

Conference Committee

- Brochure Dissemination – Brochures are here on the counter. Melissa shared how she is disseminating brochures and conference information. She is making phone calls and hand delivering. Heidi will email everyone a conference brochure (pdf) so we can disseminate via email as well.
- Dr. Muhammad is booked for the conference. Heidi suggested that board members may want to read his book before the conference, Transforming School Culture by Anthony Muhammad. It is available on Amazon if you would like to read it.
- Friday closing day plans - There are four options available for this time.
 - One idea is a sharing collaboration activity using Brain Rules.
 - Stewart Robert Shaw would be available. His message uses humor to motivate and inspire.
 - Ask Dr. Muhammad to move to Friday and put Tom Kidd on Thursday.
 - The judge from region 6 would be also be willing to speak.

The group prefers the first option with Book Rules.

- Breakout sessions – Heidi passed around the attach sheet about 2010 conference breakouts. A discussion about the proposed scheduled sessions.
- Vendors – A discussion on current vendor status. Kim thanked Michelle – nice job!
- Other – Gifts are ordered.

Political Action Committee

Looking to continue contacting universities offering the 952 licensure the goal being to inform them about NARENWICH. Randy is going to talk with Guy about how to begin these discussions.

Membership Committee

A discussion about the membership list occurred. For now all membership lists will be sent Michelle O. and she will communicate updated members to Melissa, in effort to keep list up to date. An update of new members should be shared during the membership report of each meeting.

Regional Reports

- Michelle shared that Region 2 is meeting on Dec. 2nd.
- Randy shared that YAR continues to meet. There is some concern that not all of District 5 is being served.

Old Business

- Heidi introduced the discussion on how we are going to select National NAREN Conference Representative. Randy is pretty sure he is not going to be able to attend. Are we required to attend the NAREF Conference? In our agreement it states.... That it is an option to attend. Heidi asked if any board members were interested. There is a concern that we need to set procedures to select a member to attend. Heidi will draft the policy and we will vote on it at our next meeting.
- A discussion occurred on our record keeping of regional awards and scholarship winners. Randy is putting a chart together and will have it at our next meeting.
- Information (budget, minutes) from National NAREN has been received. Heidi shared the information and notes Tony sent from NAREN. We would like to request this information yearly.

New Business

None at this time.

Other

None at this time.

A motion to adjourn was made at 12:25. Motion passed.

After Meeting Note: Brain Rules ordered directly from the Publisher will cost \$7.50 per book.