

# PNARENWICH ANNUAL MEETING

## 3/9/2006

### Wausau, Wisconsin

The Meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by President Randy Hughes. Present Board members: Jill Gurtner, Sally Schultz, Jennifer Varsik, Bob Bock, Carole Mottaz, Laura Lindberg, Betsy Haltinner, Debbie Newbauer and Heidi Thuli.

#### **REPORTS**

**Acceptance of Minutes for 2005 Annual Meeting**, as read by Heidi Thuli, was completed.

**Treasurers Report** was given by Carole Mottaz. Current balance in account is \$30,910.62 (prior to payment of the 2006 conference expenses). The report was accepted as printed.

#### **Committee Reports:**

Prior to committee reports Randy encouraged all members to recruit new members to the organization.

**Member Services Committee:** Laura Lindberg and Betsy Haltinner presented information related to member services.

- The scholarship application is in its final form now including revisions requested from last year. Once completed they are to be emailed/faxed/mailed to Laura Lindberg by April 15<sup>th</sup>.
- The Narenwiche region map has been redrawn with lines that align with the CESA regions. This was done to ease confusion in determining region lines. This map is posted on the webpage.
- The membership list is being updated by Betsy. Any revisions to membership are to be communicated to Betsy.

**Political Action Committee:** Debbie Newbauer shared progress made by the political action committee.

- In follow-up to the survey completed during the 2005 conference, a "funding resource" list was completed and posted on the Narenwiche website.

**Conference Committee:** Jennifer Varsik shared committee information.

- She gave a big thank you to all registrants. Approximately 235 participated.
- She shared that the 2007 conference will be held once again in Wausau, WI at the Plaza Hotel.
- She encouraged all present to complete the conference evaluation forms as the board does look to those to plan for future conferences.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Randy looked for feedback on establishing regional Narenwiche meetings to be led by the region representatives. Several members expressed an interest and support for regional meetings. One member suggested that YAR present a sectional at the 2007 conference that outlines how to establish a regional committee.

Randy encouraged members to look to the newsletter for continued communications with Narenwich and he reminded all that the newsletter is to be interactive. He encouraged members to submit and contribute to the newsletter.

### **NEW BUSINESS - ACTION ITEMS**

**Elections** for vacant Officer and Regional Board seats were held. After the sharing of nominations and brief introductions of nominees, the following people were elected to replace vacant board positions:

- Region 3: No nominations submitted
- Region 5: Meg Zabel
- Region 4: No nominations submitted
- Region 6: Shirley Jensen

A motion was made and seconded to accept the approval of the nominated regional board seats. Each board position passed on a voice vote by members present.

For the open regions of 3 and 4, members were encouraged to submit nominations to Past President Jill Gurtner. The board will work to have the positions filled as soon as possible.

**Appreciation to past board members:** Randy and all members present expressed thank you's to Bob Bock and Deb Newbauer for service to the board.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- Randy briefly shared an initial information item related to Narenwich as a state chapter as it related to Naren, the national organization. There may be changes to this relationship in the future so he asked members to watch the newsletter and for other communications that may ask for votes related to our constitution.
- Participant Mark Voss shared information related to a professional class he teaches each summer titled "Growing Gardens, Growing Minds". He gave his contact information.
- Members suggested that Narenwich be present at several related conferences such as WEAC and the Wisconsin School Board Association.
- Participants suggested that Narenwich provide a list of individuals that would be willing and able to present in their areas of expertise for local schools, etc.
- Carole Mottaz asked if other members were interested in pursuing questions related to the open enrollment period. No other members expressed an interest in this area.

Raffle drawings were held and items were distributed to winners.

Adjournment was called at 5:10 PM.

Heidi Thuli  
Secretary