

WA-WMEA Executive Board Meeting

Minutes from December 2, 2009

Executive Board Present: Nancy Nienhuis, Sandy Nass, Chris Morrissey, Lynn Malloy, Chad Lehman, Jeff Sikich, Linda Wamboldt, Ryan Rutz, Jim Kurovsky, Heather Swenson

Meeting called to order by President Sikich at 4:15 PM

Minutes from the November 4, 2009 Executive Board Meeting were accepted as corrected to read January 23rd and January 24th for the Midwest Leadership Conference held in Minneapolis.

President Jeff Sikich

- Jeff informed the Executive Board of upcoming meetings and seminars: December 3rd Useful Goal Approval Meeting for second year teachers; December 14th School Board Meeting – Ryan Rutz Executive Board Member to attend; December 14th West Suburban Retirement Forum; January 19th next Useful Meeting
- Check your teaching license to make sure everything is up to date and correct on the current Seniority List that came out recently.

Vice President Nancy Nienhuis

- No Report

PR&R Chair-Secondary Jim Kurovsky

- Jim updated the Executive Board on current issues at the secondary level. There is still discussion regarding CAP as a duty. Jim is also looking into another issue regarding presentation of materials to EEN students at the high school level.
- Discussion ensued regarding compensation time for attending open houses at the high school level for 8th grade students.
- Concerns were expressed regarding additional stress put on teachers this year regarding minute usage changes. Each level should look at how the minutes have been changed and report back at the next meeting to get a understanding if this is a concern of our members at all levels.

PR&R Chair-Intermediate Heather Swenson

- Heather addressed a concern regarding the use of your social security number on insurance card. Members can have this changed by calling WEA.

PR&R Chair-Elementary Michelle Daavettila

- Absent due to resignation. The Executive Board is looking for a replacement PR & R Chairman at the Elementary level. Please contact Jeff Sikich if you might be interested in this position.
- Sandy Nass updated board on current Elementary concerns.

Negotiations Chair Chad Lehman

- No Report

Treasurer Ryan Rutz

- Ryan updated the Executive Board on current financial status.
- Remember to check your last December pay stub for the amount of dues that can be deducted for tax purposes.

Director/Political Action/Legislative Chair Linda Wamboldt

- Linda attended a meeting regarding procedures for electing school board members. She will continue to attend these meetings and keep the Executive Board updated.

Director/Membership Chair Angela Bina

- Angela continues to work on updating the membership list. Please keep her updated/informed of name changes, address changes etc. so that she can keep things as accurate as possible. There are approximately 670 members.
- Angela will send out a “Did you know?” about the dues deduction amount for tax purposes.

Executive Director Sandy Nass

- Sandy updated the board on the current issues she is working on. Sandy attended a meeting with the administration in December regarding 3 employee appeals.

Director/Events & Activities/Community Outreach/Public Relations:

Chris Morrissey

- Chris is working on a new venue for the Spring Recognition Party. Please contact her with any thoughts/ideas.

Director/ Professional Development Maureen Marek

- No Report

Communications/Parliamentarian/Elections Chair Julie Stringer-Absent

- No Report

Unfinished Business

- None

New Business

- None

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Chad Lehman and seconded by Linda Wamboldt. Motion to adjourn the meeting passed. Meeting adjourned at 5:05 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lynn Malloy, Secretary