
Warren Education Association

Congress Agenda

WEA Office
TUESDAY

December 6, 2011
4:30 p.m.

Zone Caucuses

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 4:44 p.m.

Attendance:

Officers, Staff & RA Delegates – Jon Fielbrandt, Bob Callender, Jessica Kuhn, Christy Stone, Don Bietler, Susan Flis, Jennifer Miller, John Rauchman, Karen Abella

Zone I – Robin Mercier, Michelle Przybylo, Joseph Dagnes, Donna Zimmer, Nancy Fox, Karen Kuciel, Marian Cardamone, Tih Penfil, Melissa Young, Andrea George, Sandra Brioc

Zone II – Sherri Busquaert, Norm Davis, Emily Murphree, Christy Stone, Janet Lindensmith, Patty Mullholland, Lisa Kennedy, Michele Simpson, Kerri Collier

Zone III – David Mangune, Jason Swords, Peter Vainner, Erica Walivaara, Dave Oravec, Michele Herndon Balasia, Kaleen Jubenville

Zone IV – Leah Scheible, Justin Smith, Susan Flis, Emily Toy, Robert Delicato, Lisa Stabile, Danielle McLean, Jason Grifka, Holly Reibling, Karen Abella

Adoption of Agenda – Motion to adopt agenda by Bietler, seconded by Kuciel. Motion carries.

Approval of Minutes of November 7, 2011 – Motion to approve minutes by Kuciel, seconded by Bietler. Motion carries.



Reports

1. Zone Trustees:

Zone I – Kuhn reports some problems with special education, concerns that members have not received enough training to administer some testing, a lack of batteries for science kits, and that some students are not in Power School. Also raised a question about training during the summer.

Zone II – Stone reported some problems with Data Director and raised some questions about due dates for split teachers.

Zone III – Bietler reported problems with student discipline at Cousino.

Zone IV – Flis reported some Data Director problems, problems with copiers and a rumor that middle school wheel will get eliminated.

2. Congressional Trustee Report: Josh Weston – No report.

3. Vice President Report: Bob Callender – Callender reminded members about the American Education Week poster contest presentation and encouraged members to keep working on PAC drive.

4. Financial Report: Jon Fielbrandt – Report was attached.

5. Itinerant Concerns – Psych workload issues and MEAP test concerns were raised.

continued on next page...

Committees

1. Communications: John Cafagna – Meeting to be scheduled.
2. Community Outreach: Stacey Ary – Collecting toys for Volunteers of America.
3. Curriculum Steering Committee: Susan Flis & Kelly Juronoc – Funds currently not available. Applicants are going on a waiting list.
4. District Activities: Karen Abella & Robin Mercier
 - a. WEA/WCS Poster Contest – Members encouraged to attend WCS school board meeting.
5. Grievance: Jen Miller – Awaiting agreement from district to resolve Cromie Copier grievance.
6. Harbinger: Susan Flis – Harbingers should be distributed to members before break.
7. IMPACT – Callender is the new IMPACT chair.
 - a. Current Legislation – Discussed the legislation to remove the cap on new charter schools, to eliminate all association release time, and school aid budget.
 - b. 2011-2013 PAC Drive – Still ongoing.
 - c. Petition Drives – Emergency Financial Manager petitions still being collected.
8. Recreation: Kevin Bullis – Will meet on Thursday.
9. Scholarship: Dave Mangune & Evelyn Miller – A date for the event is coming soon.
10. Solidarity: Heather Grimm & Josh Weston – No report.

Delegations

1. Warren & Fitzgerald Coordinating Council. – Receiving MEA funds in the near future.
2. MEA Region 6: Met on 12/5/11. Next meeting 1/30/12 – All elections were by acclamation. Flis, Bietler, and Weston were elected to offices.
3. MEA Board of Directors & MEA Executive Committee. Board met 10/14/11. Exec meets 1/6/12 – Addressing pensions.
4. MEA Representative Assembly – No report.
5. NEA Representative Assembly – No report.

President's Report

1. Building Visits – Visits being scheduled soon.
2. MEA Bargaining & Political Affairs Conference: February 2-3, 2012 – 25 members will be attending.
3. Open Enrollment – again! – Open enrollment going on this week only.
4. Evaluations – District is attempting to get administration to be consistent on evaluations.
5. WCS Audit – Audit showed district has a surplus.
6. Layoff/Transfers/Recall – Working to ensure that all recalls are done in an orderly fashion.
7. Committee Adjustments – Wachterhauser to be added to recreation.

New Business

1. Approval of Committee Adjustments – Congress approved addition of Wachterhauser to Recreation Committee.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Rauchman
WFCC Field Assistant