
Warren Education Association

Board of Trustees

MINUTES

WEA Office
Monday

September 19, 2011
1:00 p.m.

For your information the following is a summary of affirmative actions taken by the WEA Board of Trustees at its September 19, 2011 meeting. These meetings are unofficial until approved by the Trustees at their next regular scheduled meeting.

Present: J. Fielbrandt, B. Callender, J. Weston, C. Stone, D. Bietler, S. Flis, J. Miller.

Adoption of Agenda – Motion to adopt agenda by Callender, seconded by Stone. Motion carries.

Approval of Minutes of August 29, 2011 – Motion to approve minutes by Flis, seconded by Weston. Motion carries.

Reports

1. Financial Report – Report was attached and reviewed.
2. Correspondence – No correspondence at this time.

Committees

1. Communications – Discussion of updates to website.
2. Community Outreach – A meeting is being scheduled by new committee chair.
 - a. Blessings in a Backpack – Trustees discussed the new program being piloted in three WCS Elementary Schools.
3. Curriculum Steering Committee – First meeting is scheduled for September 28, 2011 to discuss new procedures and forms.
4. District Activities – Discussed preparations for American Education Week.
5. Grievance – Current issues were discussed.
6. Harbinger – Committee meeting scheduled for September 26, 2011.
7. IMPACT
 - a. Current Legislation – Trustees discussed current legislative attacks on teachers.
 - b. 2011-2013 PAC Drive – IMPACT is working out details of drive. Will be rolled out to Congress at its October meeting.
 - c. Petition Drives – Discussed final push for signatures for Financial Manager petitions.
 - d. Macomb County Special Education Millage – 11/8/11 – Trustees went over plan to send friend-to-friend postcards and phone bank.
8. Recreation – No report.
9. Scholarship – Committee will be starting to work on the fundraiser.

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10. Solidarity – Trustees discussed new lapel pin and T-shirt orders.

Delegations

1. Warren & Fitzgerald Coordinating Council – discussed hire of Judy Hart as Office Assistant.
2. MEA Region 6: Meets on 10/17/11. – there will be an election at the meeting to fill vacant MEA Board seat.
3. MEA Board of Directors & MEA Executive Committee. Exec meets 9/30/11. Board met 9/16/11 and meets 10/14/11. – MEDA contract was approved in executive session.
4. MEA Representative Assembly: Meets on 10/15/11. – An update will be provided on MEA's plan for action.
5. NEA Representative Assembly – No report.

President's Report

1. Involuntary Transfer, Layoff and Recall – More recalls will be happening this week.
2. Annual Evaluation Training – 9/1/11. Positive comments received.
3. Open Enrollment – Open Enrollment will be starting shortly.
4. Class Size Issues – Trustees discussed how many buildings had splits and district's plans to reduce class size.
5. Athletic Evaluations – Fielbrandt still waiting to hear from administration on new evaluation tool.
6. Sub Shortages – Shortages continue to be a problem.
7. Zone Reports – Fielbrandt discussed new way Zone Trustees will be asked to provide info from Congress Zone reports.
8. Building Rep Training – Training will take place on 10/3/11 @ Ukrainian Cultural Center
9. October Elections – Nominations open and close at October Congress. Voting 10/17 & 10/18 for the following positions:
 - a. Zone I Elementary Trustee (11/1/11-10/31/13)
 - b. Zone III Senior High Trustee (11/1/11-10/31/13)
 - c. IMPACT Trustees – 5 seats (11/1/11-10/31/13)
 - d. IMPACT Trustee – 1 seat (immediate-10/31/12 – remainder of Christine Lewis' term)

New Business

1. Blessings in a Backpack – Weston moved that the WEA to donate \$500.00 to Blessings in a Backpack, seconded by Flis. Motion carries.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Miller
Executive Director