
Warren Education Association, MEA/NEA

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Board of Trustees MINUTES

Charley's Crab
Monday

December 14, 2009
1:00 p.m.

For your information the following is a summary of affirmative actions taken by the WEA Board of Trustees at its December 14, 2009 meeting. These minutes are unofficial until approved by the Trustees at their next regular scheduled meeting.

Present: B. Naski, J. Fielbrandt, J. Weston, L. Sikoski, J. Kuhn, J. Cafagna, B. Callender, J. Miller.

Absent: None.

Adopt Agenda: Add #9. Race to the Top, and #10. Transportation for Athletics. Motion to adopt agenda as amended.

Callender/Cafagna

MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Minutes of November 23, 2009: Approved as written.

Weston/Callender

MOTION CARRIED

Reports

1. Correspondence: None.
2. Grievance and Arbitration: Several new grievances were filed. The Psychologist Assignment arbitration was held on November 6, 2009. The Arbitrator reluctantly ruled against the WEA position.
3. Political Action
 - a. Recent Legislation: \$127.00 of the State budget per pupil cuts have been put on hold. Race to the Top legislation pending.
 - b. MEAPAC Voluntary Contributions: 94 percent of the membership has participated. For the first time two high schools have 100 percent participation. They are Cousino and Warren Mott. Beer, Butcher, Carleton, Cromie, Harwood, Holden, Green Acres, Grissom, Butcher and the Consultants at the Ad. Bldg. also have 100 percent participation.
 - c. School Board Election: IMPACT will interview candidates.
4. Public Relations
 - a. Poster Contest: Successful evening and good PR to the WCS community.
 - b. Harbinger: Stacy Ary is the new Harbinger editor and will be sending out a letter to members introducing herself.
5. Delegations:
 - a. MEA Board of Directors: Meeting held November 6, 2009. The MEA budget was discussed.
 - b. Region Six: Meeting held December 7, 2009. Josh Weston was elected to NEA RA Coordinator.
6. MEA Bargaining, Political Action & PR Conference: To be held February 4-6, 2010. Sixteen members will attend.

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7. New Member In-service: November 25, 2009: Newly hired members at WCS attended an inservice held by WEA leadership to inform them about their contract and the role of the union.
8. WCS Budget: WEA leadership meet with administration to be informed of the district's directions in budget cuts, although no specific details were given.
9. Race to the Top: Trustees discussed Race to the Top legislation and it's possible effects on the district. At this time it is recommended no WEA members participate in State Webinars regarding Race to the Top.
10. Transportation for Athletics: WEA leadership met with administration to discuss the handling of "one way only" transportation to athletic events.

New Business

Adjourned: 1:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joshua Weston,
Congressional Trustee
Warren Education Association