

Representative Council Meeting – November 18, 2009

PRESENT:

Officers: Joe Kelly, President Brittany Stevens, Vice President
Jon Fey, Treasurer Jessica Branco, Secretary

Site Presidents: Jason Heskett, CHS Debbie Curley, HHS
Bob Blaschke, LHS Jon Fey, MVHS
Maia Goodman, FHS

Negotiating Team Jon Stark

State Council Rep: Carl Schmidt

Representatives: Susan DesJardin, Stacey Morse, Zack Jacobs, Ann Peck, Kyle Fitzpatrick, Dina Dwyer, Mo Clark, Stacey Horman, Nancy Bui, Angie Esswein, Erin Ronan, Rick Hanford, Kenny Iams, Jim Schussler, Maria Carter-Giannini, Emmett Powers, Bonnie Belshe, Shari Schussel, Viviana Montoya-Hernandez, Robyn Brushett, Ben Eloy.

I. Secretary's Report – Jessica Branco

- Last month's minutes approved.

II. Treasurer's Report – Jon Fey

- September Balance sheet distributed. (October's statement will be presented in December).
- Our CD was cashed out in July when it ended, and put temporarily into savings until it is deposited into another CD.
- Only one member is signed up so far to go to the Good Teaching Conference in January.
- A form created for terms of any loans given out by FEA, including attached postdated checks for the repayment amount.

III. State Council Report – Carl Schmidt

- Much organizing/conversations will be regarding objections to ESEA/(NCLB)/"Race to the Top". Concerns included:
 - Teacher performance measured by test scores.
 - Teacher merit pay.
 - More money for charter schools.We may not see anything coming out of Washington on this for a few years.
- 5X1 to allow CA to qualify for RTT funds state pushing amendments to the Ed code to align with the new federal guidelines. This has only passed the House (CA).

IV. Small Groups – Measure G Debrief (10-15minutes)

V. Superintendent Polly Bove visits Rep (30 minutes)

See the attached document for summary of this discussion

VI. Vice President's Report – Brittany Stevens

- Healthcare Update
Vita meeting this morning. Vita rep will be attending Rep meeting December 9th with options to explore to offset rate increases (or not). Very important to make sure all are informed of our situation and options. There is a LOT of information.
In January the goal would be to begin site meetings with Vita and FEA, to discuss the situation/options. At January Rep Council mtg, we would narrow down to 2-3 options. Then discuss/decide a change in February, if there is a change. Changes would go into effect March 1st, making March our new open enrollment month.
Average increase in our healthcare premiums is estimated between 12-13%.

V. Negotiations Report – Jon Stark

- Section allocation review shows that staffing was done very efficiently with new, more flexible guidelines.
- There will be a new online/sub system going into effect for 2nd semester.
- We will need to seriously discuss 20:1. State no longer supplies any funding for this. We need to decide what to do. It costs our unit about \$350,000/year. There is contract language that is no longer appropriate given changes at state level.
- We eliminated the travel period for teachers serving at more than one site. This is a lot of work for science teachers who move between schools and are setting up labs. We will soon discuss the idea of bringing back a travel period instead of a stipend for a traveling science teacher. (probably on Jan agenda)

VI. Old Business

- Tech Use/Youtube update – a possible pilot coming by Dec 1
- New Student Information System coming soon to replace SASI (Infinite Campus)

VII. Site Reports

- MVHS – Jon Fey
Is there a way for end users to get a demo of the new SISystem and give feedback to the board?
- LHS – Bob Blaschke
In the process of gathering some healthcare feedback at LHS as we begin the discussion.
- HHS – Debbie Curley
A new guidance counselor to replace one on leave. Fire drill yesterday.
- FHS – Maia Goodman
Concern over principal stating that teachers will be responsible financially for tech repairs
- CHS – Jason Heskett
- Offsite – Ben Eloy
Clarification: One time money which was loaned to district will come up to be evaluated again in April of 2011. At the end of the 4th year, they have to pay it back no matter what. (If you separate from employment with the district, you will be paid the money).

VIII. President's Report/New Business – Joe Kelly (0 minutes)

IX. Good of the order

- MVHS
Play just closed. Jazz concert tonight. Several sports teams in league championships. School newspaper won award.
- LHS
Boys X-country team placed 4th. School newspaper won award.
- HHS
Sam Fung won an ISME grant. Band won sweepstakes award. Several sports teams in CCS finals.
- FHS
Band did well at competition. College Fair day on Friday. Play just closed.
- CHS
The play "For the love of Three Oranges" continues this weekend. Upcoming 1st annual Turkey Trot run, fundraiser to build a schoolhouse in Kenya.

Next Rep Council Meeting is Meeting is December 9, 2009 (Wed.)...FEA Office...3:45pm

Next Exec Meeting is also December 9, 2009 (Wed.)...FEA Office...3:45pm

**This is a combined meeting & the food quality will be a little higher than normal.*

**Brittany will be facilitating this meeting.*