

South Lyon Education Association Mini-minutes for April 15, 2009

1. President's Report
 - a. Job Postings: Only one new hire position has been posted internally for the Chemistry Major and Math Minor position.
 - b. Legislative Updates: Sent from Bill Bell to all SLEA Board Members with the agenda.
 - c. Staggered Start Times: Travelling teachers have concerns for the starting time about travelling between schools. Melissa Meister indicated that teachers will not work extra hours, but will most likely follow the earlier schedule of the building assignments. Therefore, teachers will leave at the early building time.
 - d. Fiftths Disease: Teachers are concerned about the notification of the staff when Fiftths disease is identified in the school and the cleaning of the rooms. Although the Oakland County Health Department does not require a district to do so, Administration has said all principals have been told to notify their staff when a case is discovered. It is then up to the teacher to contact their doctor.
 - e. Grievances: Linda Raye has offered special education teachers training on Records Day. No teacher is required, or should feel pressured, to do anything but what Record's Day is intended for.
2. Treasurers Report
 - a. The budget was presented for next year. The dues will be reduced by \$5 next year. Becky moved to send the budget to the membership. Motion passed.
3. Elections
 - a. The biographies will go out on Monday. Building reps will pick them up after school for distribution on Tuesday morning. Paula Zaswana will send them to Tina Harma to send out via home e-mail as well.
 - b. A question concerning how many Region 7 reps we were allowed led Connie to investigate the Region 7 by-laws, which would supersede ours. It was discovered that each of our MEA representatives MUST also serve as Region 7 reps. We can then match that number (plus one for the President, as he/she is automatically the first MEA rep) with elected reps, two of which must represent the issues of third-world countries. Therefore, Michael Lloyd, as MEA rep, becomes a Region 7 rep as well, as do the newly elected MEA rep and President. As we have one more year on three Region 7 positions, we have one Region 7 position open, (which is for one year to finish out a term) for a Region 7 representative that resigned. In addition, if our SLEA membership drops below 350, we will lose one MEA, and thus one Region 7, position.
 - c. There was discussion about how this would impact the proposed budget. Nancy moved to accept the amended proposed budget. Motion passed.
4. Communications
 - a. Becky Fleming will publish one more newsletter before the end of the year.
 - b. Sheri Brainard ordered window clings.
5. Political Action Committee
 - a. Jonathon is investigating which zip code areas can vote in our school board elections.
6. Region 7
 - a. Reported on the discussions of local districts and the recent contracts that have been settled. Things are not even good for the big money districts.

- b. The presence of teachers is important at the Oakland ISD budget meeting on Monday, June 15th. There will be updates from your building reps.
- 7. Vice-Presidents' Reports
 - a. No reports.
- 8. Uniserv
 - a. Bill Bell discussed the upcoming stimulus money.
- 9. MEA
 - a. No report
- 10. NEA
 - a. No report.

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