

AEAI, Inc. Executive Council Meeting May 1, 2010

11:15AM – 1:17PM

Hilton Hotel/Grand Wayne Convention Center Ft. Wayne, IN

Members in attendance: Brad Venable, Mary Ann Anderson, Bret Bailey, Ralph Bailey, Catherine Bowyer, Marcia Carson, Patricia Cummings, Herb Eveland, Lori Kaylor, Sandy Hall, Jane Lohmeyer, Patti Moore, Terri Nagel, Connie McClure, Leah Morgan, Sue Perry, Buffy Rogers, Jill Sayers, Addie Simpson, Lili Stokes

Excused members: Sidney Allen, Pam Anschutz, Carrie Billman, Cindy Borgmann, Clark Fralick, Gayle Holtman, Rita Jacks, Trish Korte, Beth Roop, Kevin Schultz, Linda Sherfick, Sue Uhlig, Jeanne Nemuth, Clyde Gaw,

Others: Marjorie Manifold, Amy McCabe

Call to Order

Announcements:

Welcome new Council Members:

Ralph Bailey will be 83 next birthday, he began as a teacher and served later as a principal and then superintendent of schools in Columbia City. He attended many school board meetings. His main message in his belief that art and music are essential is to encourage member involvement in organizations and in contacting our politicians as they are where the power is. He suggested reading Dr. Daggert's speech about Art. Terri Nagel asked for a synopsis of the report.

Lori Kaylor co-chair with Diana Kohl for the Fall Convention Committee. She teaches in Arlington at Nebraska Elementary School and works as a graphic designer.

Checked on everyone signing the conflict of interest forms as advised by the NAEA; members need to sign who work for the AEAI including committee members.

Brad presented the YAM Certificate: Sue Perry

Western Region Awards: Bret Bailey

Letters to resigning Council Members: Barb Kuntz

Vacancies in the Executive Council:

Elementary Division Representative: Jessica Watson WatsonJ@ips.k12.in.us appointed Treasurer (official start: Fall, 2010); There have been 3 responses, no decisions have been made. The replacement could be a non-art person, they do have to join AEAI and we may need to approve an adjustment to give membership to them.

Fall Conference Coordinator (official start: Fall, 2010) Patti Moore just announced but has done 4 years worth and wants another to take over. A former co-coordinator would be a good choice. Secretary's Report (Buffy Rogers) Minutes were presented in hard copy. Sandy Hall called to approve minutes, Patricia Cummings seconded.

Treasurer's Report (Pam Anshutz) was presented in hard copy. Jane Lohmeyer called to approve the report, Terri Nagel seconded.

President's Report (Brad Venable)

501c3 Report lengthy report received from the lawyer, several members approved the document. (7-9 states wanted NAEA to parent them, only Indiana and Hawaii were ready this month. There were 8-9 questions where Brad wrote out what AEAI does as an organization and what portion of time is represented by those activities, like professional development.) The reports have been sent to the NAEA atty., no further information is available now.

Letters to School Board Members Brad has written letters about the reduction in force. Clyde still needs information from district reps of AEAI about the RIFS in their areas. Jill Sayers asked for the school corporation names to be read out, Brad complied (Tippecanoe, Duneland, Northwest Allen, DeKalb Co. Consolidated, Whitley, Franklin, IPS, Ft. Wayne Comm, Washington Township).

Marcia Carson said Kankakee and Hammond are hiring. Brad shared his letter at the Western Region. Between 100,000 and 300,000 teachers will lose their jobs this year. Though Connie McClure wanted to send the letter out to all the school boards to be sure they are all covered, it would make AEAI look like we did not know what we were doing if they got the same letter from Connie and Brad.

NAEA Delegates Assembly Report (Terri Nagel)

Membership Costs and Financials: NAEA is considering a dues increase. Indiana will receive back a portion of dues membership per Debbie Reeves.

Foundations & Grant Opportunities: Brad encourages taking advantage of grant opportunities from McMillian etc,

Position Statements: Western Region platform statements include recommendations for Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment. Though NAEA does not vote on our decisions, they are an advisory board and we can use them as a resource. Also decisions were made in K-12 that there would be no racial/stereotypes used as mascots.

Delegates made recommendations to NAEA about early child hood, design education and art museums, particularly regarding college level museums liquidating their assets (in the form of artworks). Also suggested was balloting through email rather than snail mail would expedite changes.

Brad called for a motion to approve all reports at the end of the reports. Jill Sayers so moved and Marcia Carson seconded.

Division Representative Reports

Higher Education (Jeanne Nemeth) no report

Secondary/High School (Amy McCabe) no report

Middle School (Sandy Hall) Abstained from reporting

Elementary (Vacant) no report

Supervision/Administration (Ralph Bailey) calls for continuing membership drive; each member should get someone else to sign on. Next year will be tougher. Leah Morgan asked for Ralph to email her a message to send out to the membership through the list-serve. Terri Nagel asked for a synopsis of Dr. Daggert's speech about Art.

Student Representative (Catherine Bowyer) Catherine has been emailing the other chapters to in turn email student members to support AEAI. She will be teaching summer camp and cannot attend the retreat.

Museum Education Representative (Mary Ann Anderson)no report

Retired Art Teachers Representative (Herb Eveland) Herb talked at the Baltimore conference about the great influence of Guy Hubbard.

District Representative Reports

District 1 (Jill Sayers) Jill and Patricia are planning to hold a webinar on August 11 about tips, tricks and timesaving techniques for the classroom. It is open to all. For some, school starts August 9th.

District 2 (Bret Bailey)Bret attended national conference in Baltimore. His district is sponsoring several workshops but having trouble getting members to participate. Weaving will probably be a no-go, jewelry making is on the 18th and in Summer he plans to attend St Mary of the Woods', Pierceton Art Fair and continue membership efforts. 2 art and music teachers are being cut in district 2. Denna Church is assisting with growing contact list.

District 3 (Beth Roop & Lili Stokes) Summer workshop is set for Sat June 19th, more details in Contact mag. Lili attended a VTS workshop which uses art to teach thinking and communication skills. In Newcastle, an art teacher is being replaced by a regular classroom teacher. Lili has been working with BSU Museum on educator outreach programs.

District 4 (Rita Jacks & Carrie Billman)no report

District 5 (Sidney Allen & Addie Simpson) Addie is co liason for Morgan County, they are promoting St Mary of the Woods' summer retreat.

District 6 (Linda Sherfick) no report

District 7 (Trish Korte & Kevin Schultz) no report

Old Business

CRUs – Brad made a motion about certification of the CRUs issued by Rita Jacks, that beginning immediately, CRUs be offered to AEAI members only, that they will apply to AEAI workshops and any other AEAI approved professional development. Those who apply for CRUs through AEAI will be charged \$8.00 to cover costs of mailing, printing, and processing. Rita knows the parameters for what is acceptable. Brad made the motion to accept the wording, Patricia Cummings seconded. Brad called the question and the motion passed unanimously.

District Representative Duties The pink sheet outlining the duties was presented. Bret Bailey made a motion to accept the handbook corrections, Patti Moore seconded it. Several changes in wording and punctuation were made by Herb Eveland, Sandy Hall, and Jane Lohmeyer, but substance remained the same.

2011 Fall Conference 50 rooms have been reserved for the 2011 conference at the Marten House, Indianapolis due to consequences of overbooking rooms for the 2009 conference. Saturday will be the main event due to Professional Development cuts and end at noon on Sunday.

Patti proposes a “monkey survey” to assist in anticipating attendance for both 2010 and 2011 conferences.

\$82 rooms are guaranteed at the Marten house (same prices as in 2005).

Possible open house at the Pyramids through the Art Institute. Ralph Bailey made a motion to accept the contract for the Marten House. (Pyramids negotiations are ongoing.) Terri Nagel seconded. Leah Morgan asked if there was a flat room fee at the Pyramids (or was that at Marten house?); Patti said yes as opposed to University Place where we were charged per person. We need to bring our own technology. Question called by Sandy Hall. Passed unanimously.

Birthdays celebration Patti Moore Reminded us this is the 60th anniversary of AEAI’s founding. United Arts is also celebrating its 50 B-Day. She suggests we should have our own bags at conference. Sue Perry said there are a large number of YAM bags that could be used. Perhaps the “Fellows” could get the past presidents to come. Marcia said there is a list of the past presidents in the archives. There was no motion on this discussion.

New Business

Electronic Issue of Spring Contact Brad moved that the Spring issue of Contact be exclusively on line to save publishing costs. Brad makes the motion, Patti Moore seconds it. Jane Lohmeyer - on line saves \$1500. Her personal feeling – only online will get little read, she doesn’t go there personally, it is cumbersome to read online, especially PDF format is not user friendly.

Jane objects as Contact is our one attention getting publication. It is a physical touchable item, it gets information out to non members also. To have non-members accessing web site makes us look amateurish as an organization.

Connie feels we have taken 10 years to get to this level of quality. We are #14 as to membership in the US. WE will not benefit by cutting the magazine. The 3 ads contracted last year paid for almost one issue. People will not search for the issue on the web. Spring is important time for the membership drive.

Mary Ann is in favor of keeping Contact in print. The magazine is a perk of being a member. University employees see this magazine out in her office. It makes it easier to share.

Marcia Carson thinks it should not just be online; as a board member she does not visit the web site.

Brad said he was thinking of only one issue to offset the huge negative deficit. This year we do not have to take out of publication through the printed format for the year, only for one issue. Per Jane in magazine state, physical copies, mailed 32 page issue for \$1500, this winter however was \$1100.

Per Connie's suggestion, money put into an account to fund scholarships could be used to support the magazine, Brad agreed it is moveable, though that interest is what helps fund the scholarships.

Per Jane L, \$6928 was used for contact last year though 10,000 was budgeted. \$920 ad income helped keep to under \$7000.

Leah Morgan is opposed to putting it online.

Sand Hall suggested that we could use a postcard format so readers could get information in small bites and we wouldn't have to put the whole Contact on line.

Sandy Hall calls the Question, the motion failed 2 for, 10 against, 1 abstention(Terri Nagel).

Standing Committee Reports

Nomination Committee (Connie McClure) Connie had a phone conference with Sydney Allen for President Elect nomination. Brad needs nominations for Treasurer and Elementary Division Representative placed in Contact.

Publications (Jane Lohmeyer) needs photographs of several members. Patti Cummings, Ralph Bailey, Herb Eveland, Catherine Boywer, Mary Ann Anderson, Gayle Holtmann
Conference Committee (Patti Moore)

Youth Art Month Committee (Sue Perry) Does the board need to vote approval on Sargent Art of New Jersey as a new sponsor for YAM?

Brad has asked some who have Sargent as a sponsor and they are happy with the results.

Technology / Web / Web Design Committee (Leah Morgan, Clarke Fralick) Web design is stalled again. Brad to send a letter to Dan Sohlberg. Leah wants the website to enable others to send out messages but is afraid the school corporations will block the messages from a web site. Per Brad Leah and Clarke are to present the web site at the summer retreat.

Per Connie and a few others, Clarke needs to do a better job of updating the current web site.

Brad suggested any changes be copied to him, Terri Nagel, and Leah Morgan as well as Clarke; he will talk to Clarke.

Marcia Carson, For the teacher awards, there have been 4 nominations from principals, but the majority are not AEAI members. She will be sending them membership forms and notifying them of the possibility of renominations next year following their joining AEAI.

Adjournment 1:17PM

Next Meeting: AEAI SUMMER RETREAT

JULY 31, 2010

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM (Tentative)

Indiana State Museum

Next Executive Council Meeting: Saturday, September 11, 2010

Lunch: In the Hilton lunch room

Facility Tours