

Florida Council for the Social Studies
Minutes – Board Meeting- Friday, September 24, 2010

Meeting was called to order at 8:15 PM by Kris Scola – President

Attendance: E. Sue Ayers, Ted Banton, Elisa Beachy, Connie Brown, Mikeol Stroh, Pete Cowdrey, Jessica Day, Ralph Egolf, Mary Ellen Falvey, Randy Felton, Susie Fogarty, Rose Gatens, Julie Gates, Sabrina Gates-McCarthy, Tom Glaser, Fran Holleran, Lori Jones, Leslie Lee, Nicole Marsala, Maureen Marullo, Linda Medvin, Susan Oliver, Jane Palmer, Virginia Parra, Janie Phelps, Karen Roberts, Ben Saxon, Kris Scola, Tomi Sue Skirvin, Tina Stavrou – Klem, Regina Stuck, Joanne Wetzl, Bob McLaren

Absent: Cherie Arnette, Aimee Ballans, Jason Caros, Dr. Mark Quintana, Jennifer Smith, Judy Nugent, Terry Trimble, Angela Lewis-Williams

Announcements: President – Kris Scola

- Really looking forward to this first meeting due to not seeing Board during the summer
- Update of directory and travel information coming around to be signed
- Board Member absentees – Terry Trimble’s 1st grandchild being born (in MD), Angela Lewis-Williams – medical problems, Michelle Arquines – son in black belt tourney
- Susan Farmer’s husband passed away – donations can be made to George Farmer Memorial Scholarships
- New Board Members: Randall Cook resigned – replaced by Mikeol Stroh (Terry Trimble mentor), Appoint Bob McLaren – until 2012 (Jason Caros mentor)
- Position on Endowment Board – Julie Gates took Kris’s job and can be re-appointed if wanted
- New Endowment in January – applications for grants on website – currently 2 grants in process
- Handout given with regards to Mentor Program

Minutes were approved from previous board meeting with corrections noted on previous minutes. Motion to approve by Susie Fogarty, second by Fran Holleran. Motion passed.

Conference Report – Ted Banton

- Handout given with details
- Important points noted
 1. Dr. William McBride – Guest Speaker – Sponsored by Houghton Mifflin-McDougal Littel
 2. Room Block over capacity as of 9/23/10, 35 rooms were extended with rate of \$127 a night
 3. Recognition of Susan Oliver for Marketing
 4. Questions for nominations for District Directorship done at the General Meeting for the conference

Awards Report – Tom Glaser

- Florida Education Task Force met on Tuesday, September 21, 2010 and will sponsor Holocaust Teacher of the Year Award
- Tom will discuss with Dr. Patrick Coggins of the African American Task Force about sponsoring an award for next year’s conference through FCSS

resigned

re-appointed if

FLDOE @ [unclear] Cm. Task force on Holocaust Ed.

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Endowment - Basket Auction Information sent to all members

- New Baskets – Romantic Night at Home – Mikeol Stroh; Babies – Tina Stavros-Klem; Beach – Fran Holleran

DOE Report – Randy Felton

- 5 Assessments in process with 2 out of the 5 end of year course exams for high school
- US History – Pearson working on 240 assessment items; week after conference to form field test in 2012; 52 real out of 60
- Civics – 40 Benchmarks accessed and test blueprint done; conference will see the first draft; grade 7 reading level; assessment will be field tested in 2013; 40 real out of 48
- High School World History – 2014

Attendance at the conference sessions is important if you have any interest in these tests. This counts toward school grade. No decision with AP, IB.

- Questions arose about Charter Schools and if they have to give these tests
- How will it change way you do Social Studies? You will have to demonstrate what you taught, how you taught it and if they passed the benchmark.

Kris Scola – asked that board members correct the directory; with any corrections see or talk to Mark Quintana

Task Force Meeting – Website to Commissioners Task Force which any teacher can access to find information.

NCSS – Susie Fogarty

- 4 delegates to Denver – November 11,12,13

Motion to Adjourn – Susie Fogarty

Meeting Adjourned – 9:17 PM

**Florida Council for the Social Studies
Minutes – Board Meeting – Saturday – September 25, 2010**

Meeting called to order at 8:35 AM

Welcome introduction and announcements by Kris Scola – President

- Thanks to Joy McNamara (Nystrom Education Division) for sponsoring our breakfast. She indicated that Nystrom will be officially called Herff-Jones
- Given free trial of “StrataLogica” (14 days) – asked to use it prior to conference and will be available at conference. Can be customized for classrooms – classroom license @\$100.00.
- Conference – Help needed at Registration Desk
- Rho Kappa of Orange County will help at doors to Exhibit Hall (Big Thanks for that)
- Nominations were taken for Endowment Board Position
 1. Maureen Marullo nominated Julie Gates
 2. Virginia Parra nominated Connie Brown
- Voting took place and Connie Brown became new Endowment Board Member

Update on Building Citizenship Scholarship Program

- Board Members were recognized – Ben Saxon did a great job by securing many scholarships in Marion County; Nicole Marsala – 5 vendors; Mark Quintana and Linda Medvin gained scholarships from local representatives of companies and chapter funds
- Questions arose about scholarship and reimbursement since many people registered, they would then be reimbursed by FCSS. If not registered, then let Ralph know who is paying for their registration through the scholarship
- Leslie Lee made a good comment to make this an on-going process and do not wait until next March to begin getting funds for next year. Try to maintain and build that sponsorship throughout the year. We will update on this process in March.

Mentor Program

- Kris explained the mentor program and a sheet was passed around for Board Members to sign up to mentor student that are coming to the conference.
 1. Mentors would go to the sessions with their students.
 2. Sally Day would meet with us after Board Meeting Friday night of the conference to discuss this process
 3. UCF students would be linked – Rose Gatens can discuss with them
 4. Ideas – Regina Stuck – color on their name badge
 5. Sabrina Gates-McCarthy wanted to be sure the expectations of the mentors were spelled out so that we knew what to do with the mentees. This could be the seeds for changing membership for FCSS.

1st Vice President Report - Kris Scola for Jason Caros

- Jason's report was sent out to Board Members
- Recognition for the Miami-Dade Regional Conference – 30 new members – Congratulations to Karen Robert, Tom Glaser, Regina Stuck for such a great job
- Board Vacancy – Still need District 2 (Bay, Calhoun), District 4 (Baker, Bradford, Columbia), District 12 (Sarasota, Manatee) – will contact Bernadette Bennett, also Linda Medvin has ideas for Kris with regard to District 2 from the PAEC.

Installation of 2010 Board Members at the TOY Dinner

Connie Brown, Ben Saxon, Jessica Day, Lori Jones, Regina Stuck, Tomi Sue Skirvin, Virginia Parra, Rose Gatens, Robert McLaren, Mikeol Stroh

Slate of Board Members and Officers to Nominate 2011 – St. Pete

Any vacant districts, E. Sue Ayers, Janie Phelps, Linda Medvin, Joanne Wetzel for 1st Vice President

*Also re-affiliate with NCSS – motion to be made

Responsibility of Vice President – Goals – Action Plans & Board Member Goals – before January meeting, send to Jason by **January 14th** in electronic form – save a copy for yourself

Break – 9:45-10:00 AM

Meeting was called back to order at 10:05 AM

Executive Director Report – Ralph Egolf

- 50 new conference registrations so far, unable to process before board meeting
- Surplus vs. outflow is good
- Discussion about website problems from a few members, especially registration for conference and membership on-line
 1. Any problems that you encounter, take a picture of it and send to Mark
- Julie Gates was recognized for Rho Kappa business and revenue
- Terry Trimble's suggestion to hook up with investment company to manage our investments – American Capital Wealth Management; Terry will be the advisor on investments. Purpose is to grow capital and interest earnings

Grad Student Program Update – Rose Gatens

- Handout was given with Faculty at Higher Learning Facilities
- E-mailed all people
- Rose was recognized by Kris Scola for her work on this project
- Anyone on the list of un-responses that you know, get to Rose and she can contact

NCSS – Conference – November 11 (Denver) – Susie Fogarty

- People on board indicated they wanted to go, we have the ability to have 3 delegates
- People planning on going – E. Sue Ayers, Kris Scola, Tom Glaser, Mary Ellen Falvey, Tomi Sue Skirvin, Jason Caros

Publications Report – Mark Quintana (Report was sent since Mark was not in attendance)

- Each district or chairperson will be required to send an article as stated on the calendar that Mark has set aside on his report. This will help with news. It can be about anything dealing with FCSS or Social Studies.
- Susan Oliver discussed website traffic visitors that were not only FCSS, but corporate business people as well

Old Business – None

New Business – Kris Scola

- National History Bee information sent out in e-mail
- NCSS –Founded National History Bee and Bowl
- State History Bee and Bowl - geared for High School
- Websites – www.historybowl.com www.historybee.com
- Susie Fogarty brought up a question about the legislative report – 30% overall grade, we recommended in our letter 20% overall grade
- Fran Holleran – At NCSS on Thursday and members can attend the supervisors meeting NSSSSA - \$25.00 free with sessions
- Connie Brown - Date of next Pensacola Regional – Saturday – May 14, 2011

Move to adjourn – Susie Fogarty – 10:54 AM