

FCSS MINUTES

FRIDAY – SEPTEMBER 9, 2011

Meeting called to order – 8:25 PM by President Kris Scola

Present: Cherie Arnette, E. Sue Ayers, Aimee Ballans, Elisa Beachy, Connie Brown, Jason Caros, Jessica Day, Ralph Egolf, Randy Felton, Susie Fogarty, Dr. Rose Gatens,, Julie Gates, Sabrina Gates-McCarthy, Tom Glaser, Fran Holleran, Lori Jones, Leslie Lee, Angela Lewis-Williams, Maureen Marullo, Bob McLaren, Linda Medvin, Mark O'Hara, Virginia Parra, Beth Patterson, Dr. Mark Quintana, Ralph Ricardo, Karen Roberts, Ben Saxon, Kris Scola, Tina Stavrou-Klem, Regina Stuck, Dr. Terry Trimble
Absent: Michelle Arquines, Pete Cowdrey, Mary Ellen Falvey, Nicole Marsala, Judy Nugent, Susan Oliver, Janie Phelps, Mikeol Stroh

President's Remarks – Kris Scola

- Thanks to Jon Getz and McGraw Hill for Dinner
- Welcomed everyone since this was her last meeting as President, and appreciated the last 2 years as President with wonderful people and friendships that she has made.
- Notebooks handed out to Board Members that were absent at the April Meeting
- Announced Board Members that could not be in attendance and reasons.
- Announcement of Resignation of Board Member – Tomi Sue Skirvin – Private School at Large; Jason Caros will discuss this vacancy fill tomorrow
- Appointed Mark Quintana 1 year beyond term – 2012 since his term and Linda Medvin's will now overlap, not end in District 17 at the same time.
- **2011 Slate of Officers at Conference:**
Jason Caros – President; Joanne Wetzl – 1st Vice President; Beth Patterson – District 2; E. Sue Ayers – District 5; Sabrina Gates-McCarthy – District 11; Mikeol Stroh – District 15; Linda Medvin – District 17; Cherie Arnette – Supervisor at Large; and Tom Glaser – District 18
- **2012 Nominations:**
Pete Cowdrey – District 3; Tina Stavrou-Klem – District 7; Bob McLauren – District 9; Amy Ballans – District 11; Angela Lewis-Williams – District 14; Julie Gates – District 16; Karen Roberts – District 18; Michelle Arquines – High School at Large. ***All of these positions will be advertised in the next 2 months in e-mails, newsletter, and conference program. Nominations will be accepted and sent to Jason Caros.
- Tom Glaser wanted to know why the whole state was voting on his board seat. Question was clarified in the by-laws of FCSS.

Executive Director Report – Ralph Egolf

- Working on new website with Mark Quintana
- Taken over Conference Chair after resignation by Ted Banton, currently looking for replacement
- Notice from IRS about late taxes, which was a mistake.
- Working with Fran Holleran on transition to Treasurer
- Renewal of Tax Exemption to 2016
- Comment by Fran Holleran that people need to register for conference and on reimbursement for board meetings, you are paid ½ your room and also note method of travel on reimbursement sheet.
- Terry Trimble explained the sheet on increase in investments

Website and Publications Report – Mark Quintana

- Website was launched on September 1, 2011 and with Fran Holleran and Ralph Egolf's help have worked to transfer information from old site to new as well as troubleshoot new site.
- As you use the website, if you see a problem, e-mail Mark with the problem.
- This is the second website that we have had and contains new items: Calendar, Board Member Only Section.
- Does have conference information on it as well as can send e-mail blasts to members.
- Susan Oliver, Fran Holleran, and Mark will get instructions in a few weeks as to how to make changes to the site themselves or by FCSS.
- Site does have chat room capacity, but not now, maybe added later.
- Question was asked about links for Supervisor Association FASSS and links for local council information. Will research, but could be done.
- Trends and Issues went out electronically this summer and turned out very well. Printed by Broward County printing and was about \$250.00, which will allow for it to be published twice a year.
- Newsletter not so successful over the summer since people failed to submit articles. Schedule was again issued for articles and people who are to submit. Deadline for submission is September 15, 2011.

Minutes – April 8/9, 2011

- Motion to approve minutes from April meeting made by Susie Fogarty, second by Leslie Lee. Discussion by Ralph Egolf for correction to be made. Correction will be made. Board minutes approved with correction.

End Of Course Exam (EOC) – Randy Felton – Department of Education

- Through Curriculum Development at DOE it was determined that all American History or advanced American History students must take EOC.
- Students enrolled in IB or AP does not have to take the EOC unless it is *fulfilling their* graduation requirement.
- *US Hist.* Gave a list of websites to view, and testing window dates given to assessment coordinators last week.
- Civics Assessment – you must pass or you do not get out of Middle School
- Affects school grade, but DOE has not written law as to how
- High school US History EOC, decision to put in as EOC – 30% of grade, eventually may be a pass/fail.
- Field Test – 30 items, Baseline – 60 items (time limit for testing not yet determined)
- Discussed testing and higher literacy test questions with Webb’s Depth of Knowledge.
- Passed out “RACE TO THE TOP” information from Pati Ceci

Final Announcements

- Any board member that needs a new name badge before conference, see Elisa Beachy
- Currently 57 people registered for the conference
- Meeting tomorrow starts at 8:15 AM

Meeting Adjourned – 9:55 PM

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Absent: Michelle Arquines, Pete Cowdrey, Mary Ellen Falvey, Nicole Marsala, Judy Nugent, Mikeol Stroh

- President Scola welcomed and thanked Steve Olsen and his team from Pearson for breakfast and the materials that they gave to the board members.
- Thanks for Fran Holleran for getting cards that will be passed around to be signed for Michelle Arquines and Mary Ellen Falvey with well wishes for their illnesses.

Vice President Report – Jason Caros

- Formally thanked Kris Scola for all she has done as President these last two years and all that she has done for FCSS.
- Chene Olgar is the new Social Studies Specialist at the DOE. State adoption lists may not be out until January.
- Review of textbook materials has been e-mailed to teachers to be done voluntarily.
- DOE is still writing a Course Description for a ½ credit course.
- American History Test is only 30% of student's grade forever.
- Jason would meet with the new Chancellor & Commission & FASSE to discuss EOC exams.
- Motion was made by Virginia Parra and seconded by Ralph Egolf that "In all other EOC exams, FCSS supports equality for the US History EOC and future Social Studies with all other subject areas."
- Recognition to Lina (bartender) with gift card and FCSS Tee Shirt for serving us during our board meetings.
- Nominations to Board Members at Conference: Angela Lewis-Williams, Aimee Ballans, and Karen Roberts
- Mark Quintana is sending a list of courses that will no longer be in use in 2012-13.

Conference Report – Ralph Egolf

- Awards – Tom Glaser (14 counties responded) for TOY, Terry Trimble nominees can be reviewed after the board meeting
- Exhibits – currently \$13,700
- Hospitality – currently - \$11,500
- Program – will be printed by the 25th of September – had over 120 proposals for break-out sessions
- General Session – Director of High Schools in Pinellas County, NCSS President – Sue Blanchett, and William Bennett – Former Secretary of Education
- Kris mentioned that an award would be given to Barbara Davis for her work on the newsletter at the General Session.
- Endowment Baskets – list went around and any that needed to be added, please add to get accurate count of baskets for the conference.

Mentor Program – 45 minutes – 8:15 – 9:00 AM on Saturday of the Conference to be run by Sabrina Gates-McCarthy and Aimee Ballans. If student registers they can be added to

the mentor program. Toni Kirkwood (FSU) and Barbara Cruz (USF) will be bringing students to the conference.

Wednesday & Thursday before the conference – Fine Arts – Jason Caros is giving a presentation on the Byzantine Empire.

Announcements

- Pete Cowdrey – funding for Holocaust for State History Fair
- Recognize and Commend - Linda Medvin for Holocaust Professional Development

Old Business – None

New Business

- E-Pals – Marketing tool sent to management committee and everyone
- Pre-cons – ask in district for funding to attend

Adjournment – 9:35 AM