

Lewiston-Altura Education Association Meeting
August 29, 2011

Emily called meeting to order at 12: 10 p.m.

Secretary's Report-

*This report will no longer be available in hard copies at the meeting unless asked for. Mike Richtman made a motion to approve the secretary minutes. Sara B. seconded the motion. Minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report-

* Karen handed out AFT materials/AD&D disability forms. June balance was \$7,446.52. Income=\$16,143.32 Expenses=\$7,753.46 Ending balance for August= \$8,389.86

*Karen proposed a budget for 2011-2012. Adding a \$50.00 stipend for social committee chair. Increase scholarship budget from \$400 to \$500. Retirement budget increased from \$200 to \$500. Karen proposed a budget for \$9,321.00

*Discussion concerning retirement budget. Questioning if \$5/person/year is set aside into savings account for retirement expenses? We will check past minutes to find record of this.

*Dues paid would remain the same as last year. National dues went up \$6.60 and local dues went down \$6.60. Tori Todd made a motion to accept the proposed budget. Amandra Indra seconded the motion. Budget approved.

President's Report-

*A reminder teacher contract hours are 30 minutes before start of school day and 15 minutes after end of school day.

*Union emailing should take place after non-contract hours.

*Website should not be used for union business.

Building Reps-

Ann Gerth made a motion to elect Sara B. as High School building rep. Motion seconded by Erin Spencer. Motion approved.

Elem. Staff Development Reps-

Mike nominated Todd Stokke, Ann Stokke and Barb Daley to be elected as Elem/Intermediate representatives to the District Staff Development Committee. Joel Ellinghuysen seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Continuing Education Update-

Pat B. passes out renewal packet with new requirements. Technology and Reflective statement are now included as requirements for renewal.

Negotiations-

*Erin Spencer and negotiators have met twice with the Board.

*We didn't move steps and lanes on paycheck due to Board proposed a hard freeze. Negotiators did not agree to this.

*All agreements between Board and negotiators must be voted on to become part of contract.

*Restated being aware of our arrival and departure times.

- *Use PREP hour for non-union planning/preparation.
- *The January 15 contract deadline is lifted.

School Board Meeting Sign-Up-

- *Sign up sheet was passed around.

Referendum-

- *Matthew asked if anyone was interested in forming a committee to help pass the referendum. Need members who have a connection with the P.L.A.Y. group- forma partnership and collaborate on efforts to pass the referendum.
- *Committee can not use school resources such as location, emails, etc.
- *We budgeted \$350 for referendum committee to use. EdMN will reimburse us \$350 for money spent.
- * \$501/student- renewal of current levy which is to expire, no new tax money.
- *Dick M. made a proposal to spend the \$350 to support the passing of the referendum. Brian M. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Committee Sign-up-

- *Still need a chairperson for the Insurance Committee.

- *Committee Chairperson (contact person) is:
 - Continuing Ed. Comm.-Pat Burfeind
 - Social Comm.-Scott Schmaltz
 - Gov. Relations Comm.- Matthew Wilmes
 - Scholarship Comm.-Kimberly Moe
 - Member Rights Comm.-Brian Menk
 - Meet and Confer Comm.-Kimberly Moe
 - Sick Leave Bank Comm.-Ann Gerth & Ann Stokke
 - Teacher of Year Comm.-Scott Schmaltz
 - Audit Comm.-Kate Schulz
 - Retirement Comm.-Julie Schneider
 - Policy Review Comm.-Dick Montgomery

Other Reports-

- *As part of budget under misc. will be to purchase candy for teacher of the year to throw at Homecoming Parade.

Motion made to adjourn by Amanda Indra. Motion seconded by Scott Schmaltz. Meeting adjourned at 1:00.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary
Deb Heftman