

Lewiston- Altura Education Association

Meeting Minutes

June 4, 2012

Recognition: Matthew recognized Teacher of the Year winners, Brian Menk and Tina Sand. Matthew recognized scholarship recipients KayleyBorkowski and Cole Weaver. Matthew recognize Chick Penheiter as retiree.

Secretary Report: Erin Spencer made a motion to accept the minutes from March 23rd meeting. Motion seconded by SarahBrechtI. Minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report- Ending balance as of June 4, 2012 is \$3410.29

Officers- Mike B. nominated Megan Kittleson for Vice President. Ginny R. seconded the nomination. Check P. made a motion to cease nominations. His motion was seconded by Amandra I. Sarah B. made a motion to approve Megan as V.P. Erin S. seconded the motion.

Donation- Emily Haag made a motion to donate \$200.00 to the Beeman Family. Karen will send a check.

President Report-

*Matthew reported voting No to the voter I.D. and marriage amendment.

*He informed the members of the approval of a \$9.00 raise in state dues.

*He suggested members to look into their HCSP contributions. The money market account administrative fees are more than the interest gained.

*Matthew has developed the EA website: <http://lewistonaltura.locals.educationminnesota.org/>

*As President, he is advising the Teacher of the Year committee to look at the nomination process. Should the voting include parents, students and all staff? A chairperson should be elected to look into the process along with committee members who want to have a voice in the process.

* Matthew suggests forming an adhoc committee to look into the possibility of establishing a Friendship of Education award to recognize non-union members.

*The union will not be supporting a political candidate as it requires extensive paper work, but individual are encouraged to support and make contributions to Dr. Bruce Montplaisir for House along with John Vossen.

Correspondence: Matthew read Thank You cards from Ray and Renee Stark family (donation) and KayleyBorkowski (scholarship).

Committee Reports:

Staff Development: Mike R. reported our PLC will be part of our new teacher evaluation process.

Continuing Education- Pat B. reported as of June 30th the reflective statement is to be part of the license renewal process.

Social Committee- Ryan S. informed members a motion had been made previously not to hold the Spring Fling in Lewiston. A new motion will have to be made to change this.

Teacher of the Year- Scott S. reported the chair does not vote. He stated the current voting process is better than previous process when executive members voted on candidates without members seeing nominations or write ups. He encourages members interested in changes the process to join the committee.

Insurance Committee- Matthew stated he will be dissolving this committee.

Retirement committee- food was purchased in honor of Chuck Penheiter's retirement. Food will be in all buildings for all to enjoy.

Adjourn- Erin S. made a motion to adjourn. Scott S. seconded the motion.

