

**APA Executive Board Meeting
January 12, 2010**

Call To Order

2:10 pm

Members Present

- Nick Bourland
- Jean Chisnell
- Ramiro Gonzales
- Ann Hancock
- Maurice Koffman
- Sean Leahy
- Vivian Leung
- Debra Porter
- Cynthia Schneider
- Leo Sell
- Vikki Tormala
- Rachel Zakhem

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- John VanDyken

Guests

- Aaron Ledger
- Timo Vasquez

Members Absent

Excused

- Sharon Nichols

Approval of Agenda

- Moved by Leo, seconded by Vivian
 - Passed unanimously, the agenda was approved

Approval of Minutes

- Moved by Deb, seconded by Jean
 - Passed unanimously, the minutes were approved

President's Report

- NEA Board Meeting Update
- We may have added staff to the APA provided by the MEA in the near future
- Bargaining Conference Reminder
 - February 4-6, 2010 in Detroit, MI
- Committee Appointments
 - Elections Committee needs to be appointed

- Nick Bourland volunteered for the committee
- Kevin Grattan, an APA member, would also like to serve on this committee
- Concurrence for Sean Leahy, Nick Bourland and Kevin Grattan to be appointed to the Elections Committee, with Sean serving as the Chair
 - Moved by Leo, seconded by Deb
 - Passed unanimously
- Prescription plan changes update
 - Maury has been contacted by many members that have concerns
 - HR is going to have informational sessions in January
- Ad Hoc Committee to review the constitution and bylaws discussion
 - Nick would be interested in having this process started
 - The board needs to decide what pieces need to be addressed
 - Maury will look into doing this with the MEA as they should already list what they feel should be in the bylaws

Treasurer's Report

None for January as Sharon was absent

Committee Reports

Uniserv Report

- Nothing new in 2010 yet
- Some further information was discussed about the bargaining that went on for the health care agreement

Members Concerns and Comments

None

Business Items

- SPARKS update
 - January 28-30, 2010
 - 20 APA members will be participants, 5 APA members from the past MEA Higher Ed SPARKS program (May 2009) will also attend to offer training sessions
 - 5 MEA staff members will be doing the training
 - Comments for improving how we recruit people who would be good for the program were provided and discussed
- APA Area Reps update
 - Recommendation and request for Board concurrence of appointment of Area Reps made by Maury
 - Moved by Nick, seconded by Vivian
 - Motion to seek concurrence from the board for the appointment of the following members: Sean Leahy, Rachel Zakhem, Nick Bourland, Vivian Leung, Vikki Tormala, Deb Porter, Jean Chisnell, Leo Sell, Ramiro Gonzales, Timo Vaquez, Aaron Ledger, Larry Farmer and Deborah Sudduth Garland.
 - The board was not ready to concur and needed to have more discussion on the subject

- Leo would like a better definition of what the reps would be doing in their roles and would like a document that outlines this
 - Moved by Leo, seconded by Ann
 - Motion is to substitute the original motion and to defer appointment to the February meeting with the intention to then adopt a statement of duties and expectations of APA Area Reps
 - Motion failed: one in favor, ten opposed and one abstention
 - Discussion back to the original motion for Area Rep appointment
 - It was agreed that the board would address a document of duties and expectations at the February meeting
 - A request for concurrence was again requested by Maury
 - Motion passed: 11 in favor and one abstention
- MSU Health Care Agreement
 - A quick summary was presented of some of the issues that were on the table during the health care agreement bargaining sessions
 - The board asked some clarification questions about the new agreement
 - Moved by Leo, seconded by Ann
 - Motion to approve the tentative agreement and transmit it to the members with recommendation for approval
 - Passed unanimously

Executive Session

None

Adjournment

- Moved by Sean, seconded by Ramiro
 - Passed, meeting was adjourned at 5:09 pm

Submitted by Rachel Zakhem, APA Secretary