

REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY

24 August 2016

MINUTES

Welcome and Call to Order

The following schools and departments signed in:

Abbot, Bartlett Elementary, Bartlett H.S., Canton, Channing, Clinton, Coleman, Creekside, CSP-Moving On/SWEP, DREAM Academy, Eastview, Elgin H.S., Elementary Art, Elementary PE, Ellis, Gifford Street H.S., Glenbrook, Hanover Countryside, Harriet Gifford, Hawk Hollow, Health Services, Heritage, Highland, Hillcrest, Hilltop, Horizon, Huff, Illinois Park, Independence, Kenyon Woods, Kimball, Larkin H.S., Larsen, Liberty, Lincoln, Nature Ridge, Oakhill, O'Neal, Ontarioville, Otter Creek, Parkwood, Ridge Circle, Social Workers, South Elgin H.S., Speech and Language, Spring Trail, Streamwood H.S, Sunnydale, Sycamore Trails, Teacher Leaders, Tefft, Timber Trails, Washington, and Willard.

I. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was reviewed and accepted with no objections.

II. Approval of the Minutes

Minutes from the May 18th, 2016 RA were accepted with no corrections.

III. Committee Reports

- a. Committee Openings:
 - a. Insurance: There is an opening on the insurance committee. If interested, please contact Rich.
 - b. Board of Ed Communication: Members are needed to join the BOE communication team. Three teachers per Board member meet monthly to discuss current events. An application is available on the ETA website.
 - c. Elections: There are 3 spots open on the election committee to help facilitate elections twice a year in the ETA.
- b. TAP: Jack presented some information about the TAP program. Identical information was shared with members and administration. Additional PD is being offered on TAP. Members can sign up on Courseware.
- c. ETA Rep PD: October 20th, 4:30pm at the ETA, Kristine Argue will be conducting new rep training.
- d. Other: Special Education Meeting will have it's first meeting on Monday. Minutes from the SEC will be posted on the ETA website. The PD committee will be meeting monthly this year. Each building should have one rep at the meeting that is elected each year.

IV. Leadership Reports/Updates

- a. Region 24: Doreen Roberts, Region 24 chair, recapped the NEA RA that occurred July 1-7 2016 in Washington, D.C. The Grassroots Political Action team presented information about the upcoming election and laid out a plan of action for ETA.
- b. Officers:
 - a. IEA Profile: When personal information changes, please make sure to update on the IEA Website.
 - b. TWE: Scholarship Bowl will be on April 20th. Sponsors are needed for Scholarship Bowl. If you know of anyone who would like to donate, contact Gary Lorber.
 - c. Early Career Fellows: Graciela Albavera shared some information about what the Early Career teachers have been up to this past year. She laid out the plan to support new teachers for this year.
 - d. ERO: Jill Bous moved and Kathy Miller seconded to extend the meeting by 10 minutes. The RA voted and the motion passed. Rich shared some information from the IEA website about ERO. TRS should be contacting all members eligible for the refund in the upcoming months.
 - e. Issues: Some administration is requiring that lesson plans be turned in weekly. This is not necessary, per the contract section 23.1. PP Days are for the teachers to collaborate. Administration should not be planning meetings on PP Days, unless they are 100% optional. Members should not sign any contracts from the district that supersedes the Elgin Agreement. Required meetings (6.53) include one monthly staff meeting, one back to school night, and parent teacher conferences. Other meetings that occur outside of the school day are completely optional and at the discretion of the member.
- c. Questions:

V. BAM

The BAM drawing was held and Illinois Park won. Leadership will be arranging a visit to that site.

Adjournment 6:15 pm

Section Breakouts occurred after the RA adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah R. Madson
Secretary