

Lincoln Education Association
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Board of Directors
April 21, 2008
4:30 p.m., LEA Office

PRESENT: Jenni Absalon, Marcia Benner, Julia Doerr, Linda Freye, Matthew Hoffman, Jan Olmstead, Mandy Peterson, Arlene Rea, Tammy Schafer, Karen Shelton, Kathy Spahr, Resa Wiltse

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jan Stamper, LEA-R; Dan Studer; Jim Rea

CALL TO ORDER: Arlene called the meeting to order at 4:28 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of April 7, 2008 were approved as printed.

BUDGET REPORT: Marcia Benner
There was no report at this time.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION:

President's Report—Arlene Rea

New FR Council Site—The Board had positive comments about the Union Bank site. Arlene asked about FR Training being held there. The Board generated other locations that LEA might consider.

LEA Awards—The deadline is April 28, 2008. Please think about the award categories and submit names.

Negotiations/ProCom Update—The two areas are closely aligned right now; the Board previewed a DRAFT of the Action Plan on Teacher Workload. LPS and LEA Boards will be “on-call” during the three days of negotiations.

Working Conditions Survey Results—Arlene shared a chart that compared All Buildings 2007-2008, All Elementary, All Middle Schools, and All High Schools.

Membership—The number of drops is down from years in the past.

UniServ Director's Report—Dan Studer

Dan reported representing a member at a meeting with the member's consultant; assisting a “new hire” who never returned their contract to LPS preferring to accept a contract with Millard, but who was hired by LPS none the less and then had to resign from LPS; and representing a member at a meeting at HR and working with them in regards to their continuing employment with LPS. Dan has been working with a number of members in regards to their appraisals and surplus issues. He also gave his “Teachers & Trouble—How to Avoid the Mix” seminar to 33 UN-L elementary education student teachers and reports that the group was actively involved in the discussion, making a lot of comments and asking good questions. As part of the seminar, Dan always includes why it is a good idea to be a member of the Association!

LEAF Fundraiser—Jenni Absalon and Linda Freye

If you want to help out, there are many ways to participate...work, bid, buy. Please encourage staff in your buildings to join us Friday night at the Cornhusker Hotel. Additions to the Silent Auction are Barb Jacobson for one hour, lunch with five Senators, a cake by Matt Hoffman, two teeth whitening treatments from the next door dentist...you would regret not being a part of the fun.

Capitol District Report—Linda Freye

Capitol District is gearing up for Friday and Saturday! There is work to be accomplished at Delegate Assembly and Capitol District will be there to help.

NSEA Board Report—Marcia Benner

The NSEA Board will meet on Friday, April 25, at the Cornhusker Hotel prior to Delegate Assembly on Friday night and Saturday.

LEA-Retired Report—Jan Stamper

Nothing to report.

Executive Director's Report—Jim Rea

Building Update—Our new landscaper will be giving bids for rock around the building and for removal of dead trees on the east side of the property.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

ACTION ITEMS: None

COMMENTS, CONCERNS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Reminder – April and May FR Council will be held at the Union Bank Building at 47th and Calvert at 4:15 p.m.

Congratulations! Tammy Schafer, Holmes, was named Lincoln East Rotary Teacher of the Month.

Congratulations! Julia Doerr, Lincoln High, is the reigning champion of the PO Pears Spelling Contest and who will take the title into eternity.

ADJOURNMENT: Arlene adjourned the meeting at 5:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Benner

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LEA Secretary-Treasurer