

Association of California School Administrators - Region XI

*Representing the Counties of Inyo, Kern, Kings, Mono, and Tulare
Serving California's ACSA Region XI School Administrators and Youth*

Region XI Executive Board Meeting Notes

June 13, 2016

I. Welcome and call to order:

Dave Bowling called the meeting to order at 1:00

II. Introductions:

See sign in sheet

III. Luncheon sponsor:

Thank you to Toni of Foresters Financial for sponsoring today's lunch – Foresters Financial works closely with municipalities and school districts have become experts in retirement systems - big emphasis on giving back to the community, build playgrounds etc...workshops to inform people and better equip them to make decisions about their retirement - presentations are purely educational - not a sales pitch - STRS, PERS, Social security planning
Handouts provided by Foresters

IIII. Additions/deletions/approval of agenda:

Motion by Tom Addington to approve as presented

D. Tonini requested to add to agenda - Dick Schlagel's party for tonight and consider Kathy's first day as communications director

Tom Addington amended his motion to include the additions, Craig Wheaton seconded the motion, motion carried

V. Minutes of Executive Board Planning Meeting of June 16, 2014:

President's meeting:

Dave Bowling shared information from the morning meeting with the charter presidents - discussed responsibilities of presidents including setting some common structures, focus on why ACSA exists through leg action for children - want Charters to focus on that goal - came up with a draft document that charter presidents will submit following each charter meeting - will always include an agenda item about interactions with local legislators, involvement with the regular member (those who haven't been engaged and don't understand the acs) reach out to those members to make ACSA a more meaningful experience -

Information was shared regarding the change in title of Leadership Assembly instead of

Delegate Assembly - discussion about role of region intermediary between state ACSA and charters - pass information back and forth

President Bowling intends to get more members involved to a greater degree. He stressed the importance of engaging members who may not have previously been involved

President Bowling presented the charter presidents with a new form. The intent of the form is to help the charters put together their thoughts about what they want to get done in their charter meetings to get systems in place so everyone is on the same page

Val Brown suggested to add more information/detail regarding how many members are in attendance that aren't just board members - curious to know members that are attending - may encourage them to invite a non-member/potential member or perhaps a member who has not been involved. There was also mention of use of positional power encouraging administrators they work with to attend/get involved.

Tom Addington provided a local legislative report - discussion at meeting regarding grass root connecting with local legislators and importance/value of connecting with legislators on local level - good to have charter leg action people in our region not just the one at the region level

Leadership in ACSA – President Bowling requested the charters hold their charter planning meeting/retreat before September – he suggested the meetings be held in a nice, relaxing location and that plenty of quality time is spent on planning goals, budget, leadership, etc... Dave talked about importance of maintaining a reserve and being fiscally responsible yet utilizing funds available to support charter goals

VI. Executive board responsibilities:

Dave Tonini asked to find office, take a look at responsibilities, and share out with others a summary of responsibilities of position

Mike Vogenthaler suggested the need to update some of the language as they were last update in June of 2015. The group reviewed and discussed each position.

VII. Review of ACSA strategic plan:

A copy of the strategic plan and last year's region goals will be distributed tomorrow. The Region will focus on three goals, open and honest dialogue will be the focus.

IX. Possible candidates for ACSA State Board:

Craig Wheaton and Terri Rufert are interested in running for state office – discussion was held regarding Linda Comiskey, current state VP for Leg Action, being encouraged by her region to run for VP.

Craig Wheaton shared that he did a final mailing to thank all and get word out that he continues to be interested. Candidates will have to declare interest by application in September - Craig suggested they should both put their names in for positions for different offices but Craig plans to back off and support Terri while he is on the Board if Linda follows through with her candidacy then he will consider running again the following year - name recognition across the state is very important - Terri now has her name out there and has a very good chance of getting elected.

Craig plans to run for the executive committee of the state board – there are only 2 positions for regular board members to run for executive - this election is in July – The group discussed if both were to end up running for state election then some of the expenses could be combined ie...the reception, travel cost would be the biggest cost commitment on our part that would be doubled if both were to run.

Need to start the campaign early and hit it hard. Craig will know by our fall meeting so our region can commit to supporting them. The official campaign doesn't start until the committee endorses the candidates and announces that slate in November. We will need a solid organized effort to roll with in September - will have on agenda for our first Region XI board meeting of the year to focus our efforts, time, energy on supporting them.

Dave Bowling said Ralph Porras asked him what we want him to talk about as he addressed the planning retreat. Dave told him we are a great region, and he wants to consider how we get even better. Dave noted that Ralph will be a great advocate for us!

X. Develop 2016 - 2017 Meeting Calendar and Locations:

Dave Bowling passed out the state calendar of events. He noted our region events in black and white on back side with dates superimposed on front in purple boxes. Dave reviewed the events calendar with the group.

XI Budget Draft Development:

Each line item on the region budget was discussed and considered. A draft budget was put together based on those discussions. An in depth discussion was held regarding the student scholarships are they an award or are they a scholarship...Who should the money be paid to? Should it be pending the recipient provides proof of enrollment or not? When should the payment be made... at the awards luncheon or after July 1? Discussion to be continued at the meeting with general board tomorrow or at beginning of year. Greg Henry moved to approve the budget with a second by Darrin Parsons - motion carried.

David Tonini, Dick Schlagel and Kathy Forsyth left the meeting at this time.

XII. Evaluation of Executive Director:

Val Brown led a discussion and review of the consultant agreement and her proposed draft. She asked for input from board members and the group determined executive director goals for the upcoming year.

Closed session regarding the evaluation of the Executive Director and consultant agreement

The group reported the following recommendations:

- \$20,000 salary retroactive to the beginning of the fiscal year with \$5,000 for expenses.
- Mid-year review to be done in January of each year

The group also recommended that because Kathy Forsyth is starting work prior to her contracted start date that she be given a partial salary for the month. Mike Vogenthaler motioned to pro rate her salary and give her 1/2 a month salary. Val Brown seconded the motion and the motion carried.

XIII. Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned