

ARIZONA BUSINESS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING
 Saturday, July 15, 2006
 Loew's Ventana Canyon Resort, Tucson, Arizona
 FINAL VERSION
 AS APPROVED SEPTEMBER 16, 2006

Silman, Neala	President	Present
Jones, Jaci	Secretary	Present
Thompson, Rochelle	Treasurer	Present
Hernandez, Abel	Past-President	Not Present
Carlos, Bennie	President-Elect	Present
Cruz, Michael	Conference Director	Present
Johnson, Francis	Membership Director	Present
Liebelt-Garcia, Chris	Historian	Present
Sombrero, Elaine	Northern Secondary Representative	Present
Rankin, Eleanor	Southern Secondary Representative	Present
Sebold, Brent	Post Secondary Representative	Not Present
Vacant	Middle/Jr. High Representative	
Bribiescas, Sonia	WebMaster	Present
Cannell, Nori	Newsletter Editor	Not Present
Dr. Rader, Martha	ABEA Journal Editors	Not Present
Dr. Robert Gryder		Not Present
Fladhammer, Dana	Awards Committee Chair	Present
Powers, Sally	Legislative Committee Chair	Not Present
Sabbe, Lance	Scholarship Committee Chair	Not Present
Sheets, Kris	2008 WBITE Conference Committee Chair	Present
Vacant	2005 Summer Conference Committee Co-Chair	
Dr. Gandy, Janet	State Supervisor, ADOE	Present

President Neala Sillman called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

OLD BUSINESS

The Minutes for the April, 2006, Board Meeting were distributed, reviewed, and amended. Francis Johnson made a motion to accept the amended Minutes (seconded by Bennie Carlos). The motion passed unanimously.

President Neala Sillman began the meeting by setting the yearly Board meetings: September 16, November 18, February 3, and the evening before the Spring Conference. The general membership meeting of ABEA will be held during the Spring Conference. Officer vacancies were discussed. President Neala Sillman asked for recommendations for the vacant positions of Central Secondary Representative and Middle School Representative. Nori Cannell will no longer be the Summer Conference Planning Committee Co-Chair but will continue on the ABEA Board as the Newsletter Editor. Deadlines dates for the newsletters were set as October 1, January 21, and June 15. A question posed by President Neala Sillman – Can Spring Conference Planning hours be given for recertification? A motion was made by Rochelle Thompson, seconded by Bennie Carlos and passed unanimously stating ABEA will grant 15 hours of professional development for work of planning the Spring Conference 2006. These hours may be applied to recertification. Brief comments were made regarding the June 10, Board retreat. The 2006-2007 theme is Unique in our Perspective; Unified in our Vision. The goal is to communicate the benefits of ABEA membership. Two new advantages need to be added to the existing six: Leadership and Recognition.

Treasurer Rochelle Thompson distributed and discussed the Balance Sheet and Income Statement. Concern was raised about the \$9,230.61 loss. This is a result of attendance being down at the Spring Conference. A motion was made by Sonia Bribiescas and seconded by Elaine Sombrero to pay \$35.00 for ABEA Board members who travel in excess of 100 miles to attend meetings. The motion passed unanimously.

There was a break for lunch at 11:58am. The meeting reconvened at 1:00pm.

President Elect Bennie Carlos discussed the Spring Conference. He's looking at the Embassy Suites on I-17 and Greenway. The AV equipment costs really hurt us this year. Bennie will look into contracting with a private vendor and possibly asking local schools to donate the use of equipment. There is also a goal to make it a one day event, Saturday; with possible pre-conference workshops on Friday. Dr. Janet Gandy suggests that Bennie and Michael create scenarios and solicit hotels and conference areas to give us prices for each scenario. Michael will work on putting together a book for the next Conference Director with all of the pertinent information in it, to make the job easier.

Francis Johnson would like to create new membership cards and include the Board members e-mail contact information. Who are we marketing our organization to? What are our demographics? Our purpose is to network and to share information instead of constantly having to reinvent the wheel. Francis suggested that all Board members submit their "smart teaching ideas" to Nori so she can publish them in the newsletter. Also include your top 10 tips and tricks to survive teaching. Concern was raised that we have 41 new teachers for the new teacher meeting and no new member materials to give to them. Sonia and Jaci volunteered to make copies of newsletters

and contact lists of ABEA Board Members to hand out at the New Teacher Meeting.

Chris Liebelt-Garcia has this years book complete for those members who would like to look at it.

Elaine Sombrero, Northern Secondary Representative discussed the training that was held for 20 CTE and academic teachers that learned all about distance learning. Seven schools were represented. Elaine mentioned that Native American Tribes have \$100,000 annually to be given for education. If schools are located in these areas apply for the grants for your business programs.

Eleanor Rankin, Southern Secondary Representative discussed her recent success with articulating six credit for the BMAS program with Pima Community College Her goal this year is to try to network with more teachers in her region.

Brent Sebold, Post Secondary Representative, POW was distributed. He has a couple of very good goals set and he would like the Board to develop a promotional flyer or brochure that can be distributed to business educators and students throughout the state.

Sonia Bribiescas, Webmaster, is working with Bob Shaw to get all of the information she needs to be able to update the website. Her goal is to clean up the site and get it up to date. Is the ABEA journal a link or does it need to be uploaded? Dr. Gryder to answer this for us.

Dr. Gryder & Dr. Rader ABEA Journal Co-Editors sent in POW's. A question the Board needs answered is what is the \$250 formatting fee cover? Did the Board agree to pay this fee prior?

Dana Fladhammer, Awards Committee. The committee this year will consist of Dr. Linda Kurth, Chris Liebelt-Garcia, and Dana Fladhammer. A list of the award winners from 2006 will be provided by Dana to the Board. The award winners are encouraged to submit their names and applications to WBITE. A motion was made by Bennie Carlos and seconded by Rochelle Thompson to pay \$300 to the State Representative of FBL, Thomas Montoya, to be presented at the September Arizona Business Education Advisory Council meeting.

Kris Sheets, 2008 WBITE Conference Committee Chair, WBITE President-Elect, distributed two action items. He also spoke about creating an ABEA/NBEA/WBITE Sponsorship Fund. He will have people help write the sponsorship. At the ABEA luncheon Kris will draw one name and pay for one new teachers NBEA dues for one year. Kris wants to encourage membership in professional organizations. He will also offer two paid ABEA/NBEA memberships. Item number one will be tabled until the September meeting of the Board. The Board acknowledged Kris for his generosity. A motion was made by Neala Sillman reading because the ABEA Board is desirous of supporting Kris Sheets in his term as WBITE President-Elect and President; the Board will provide some monetary support on a case by case basis. Seconded by Jaci Jones. Motion passed unanimously. Kris Sheets has been named the Corporate Agent for the state of Arizona. The Board duly notes that in the by-laws it states, the Board will support the President and President-Elect to attend the WBITE conference.

Dr. Janet Gandy, ADOE Representative distributed a memo with curriculum updates, professional development opportunities, FBLA/PBL national results, Arizona Business Advisory Council updates and Department of Education information. A matrix for the Summer Conference was also

distributed. The State Board of Education heard information regarding the Social Studies Standards Committee requesting an increase in high school graduation requirements to include ½ credit in Economics. Michael Cruz and Jaci Jones to serve on an informal adhoc committee regarding the SS issue with the purpose being to advise the ADE on the way business education needs to be delivered in the future to meet the needs of Arizona students.

Let it be duly noted that the entire ABEA Board sends their condolences to the family of Willie Jones. He will be dearly missed as an integral part of Business Education in the state of Arizona. Cards of sympathy were sent to his family on behalf of ABEA and the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

- I. The next meeting of the board is scheduled for Saturday, September 16th at 10:00 a.m. at the Scottsdale Plaza.
- II. Discuss action item one from Kris Sheets from July meeting. The 2008 WBITE Committee would like to propose the following: The ABEA Board consider approval that any Arizona Business Education Teacher who attends the 2007 WBITE Conference in Montana receive a _____ discount on the 2007 ABEA Spring Conference Registration Fee.

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Attachments
Various POWs

Respectfully submitted,

Jaci Jones
ABEA 2006-2007 Secretary

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. White Paper/Policy Statement/Position Statement regarding FBLA Stipend for Teachers.
2. Recruitment Issues:
 - a. "What's in it for me?" The Teacher that doesn't join ABEA and/or attend conferences
 - b. "What's in it for us?" Promote awareness of Leadership Programs
3. Amend By-Laws to add Letterhead and Business Cards to Secretary's duties.
4. Creation of a New Member Packet.