

ARIZONA BUSINESS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING
 Saturday, February 3, 2007
 Roma Café, Tucson, Arizona

Silman, Neala	President	Present
Jones, Jaci	Secretary	Present
Thompson, Rochelle	Treasurer	Present
Hill, Janet	Treasurer-Elect	Present
Hernandez, Abel	Past-President	Present
Carlos, Bennie	President-Elect	Present
Cruz, Michael	Conference Director	Not Present
Simmons, Linda	Membership Chair	Not Present
Liebelt-Garcia, Chris	Historian	Present
Sombrero, Elaine	Northern Secondary Representative	Not Present
Rankin, Eleanore	Southern Secondary Representative	Not Present
Sebold, Brent	Post Secondary Representative	Present
Vacant	Middle/Jr. High Representative	
Bribiescas, Sonia	WebMaster	Present
Cannell, Nori	Newsletter Editor	Not Present
Dr. Robert Gryder	ABEA Journal Editors	Present
Dr. Rader, Martha		Not Present
Fladhammer, Dana	Awards Committee Chair	Not Present
Powers, Sally	Legislative Committee Chair	Not Present
Young, Wayne	Scholarship Committee Chair	Present
Sheets, Kris	2008 WBITE Conference Committee Chair	Present
Chris Liebelt-Garcia	2007 Summer Conference Committee Co-Chair	Present
Dr. Gandy, Janet	State Supervisor, ADOE	Present

President Neala Sillman called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

OLD BUSINESS

The Minutes for the November 18, 2006, Board Meeting were distributed and reviewed. Bennie Carlos made a motion to accept the Minutes as corrected (seconded by Dr. Janet Gandy). The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer Rochelle Thompson distributed the Balance Sheet and Income Statement. Current signers on the account are Janet Hill Treasurer-Elect, Bennie Carlos President-Elect, and Rochelle Thompson. Five hundred dollars was paid to Tom Leyba for the ABEA Journal and \$240 was paid for our annual web hosting. We received a notice from Wachovia that our agent is leaving. Discussion ensued about the current interest rate being paid and the ability to possibly get 5.5% from EmigrantDirect.com. Rochelle will look into this. ABEA has issued checks and received them back from Kris Sheets and Jon Mulcahy. A motion was made by Sonia Bribiescas to accept the Treasurer's report without amendments or corrections, as presented. Motion seconded by Brent Sebold. Passed unanimously.

Bennie Carlos shared information regarding the Spring Conference to be held Friday April 19th & Saturday April 20th at the Chaparral Suites in Scottsdale. To date we have not signed the contract. The Board meeting will be Thursday evening at 6:00pm and the Board will put together the member packets after dinner. Bennie is continuing to make arrangements for the Tour. The National President of NBEA Dr. Peter Meggison is able to come if ABEA can pay a portion of his expenses. We could have him as the guest speaker Friday night. Bennie moved to pay the costs of NBEA President Conference registration and meals. Seconded by Rochelle Thompson. Passed unanimously. Julie Odell WBITE President will attend. A tentative agenda was discussed. The registration form needs the meals to be broken out so we have an accurate count for the hotel. Registration fees were discussed. Bennie made a motion to set a price for university student registration for Saturday only, to include the luncheon, workshops, and dues at \$50. Seconded by Janet Hill. Motion passed unanimously. No one has heard from Michael Cruz regarding the conference. Jaci and Sonia will assist Bennie because they are in town. They will find out room rental charges and availability of hotel rooms for the weekend of the conference. We still need a contract, pricing for food, and equipment rental contracts. Discussion ensued about setting a registration fee for members. The theme for the conference is Challenges and Changes in Business Education. Finally there was a motion to set the conference fees to include membership but without any further discussion the motion was withdrawn. Sonia volunteered to update the registration form and get it out. Jaci and Sonia will get all financial information regarding the conference to Bennie by 2/20/07. Rochelle to email the list of last years attendees to Linda Simmons. We would like to have members bring electronic equipment for presenters instead of having to rent it due to the costs. Janet Hill, Jaci, and possibly Sally Powers could bring a proxima and screen.

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 11:50am. and reconvened at 12:30pm.

Dr. Janet Gandy presented her report to the Board. The CTE Department of Education has moved their offices to Phoenix. New address for CTE DOE is 2005 N. Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85004. State legislation – Jted End of course assessment for high school students. A project has

been funded with ASU to put together a group of business leaders to evaluate computer based multiple choice, true/false and scenario questions as the end of course assessment. Eventually the evaluations would be project based. Concerns are 1) will teachers have access to the questions before the roll out of the assessment? and 2) will there be practice materials created? The end of the program assessments are supposed to be rolled out in Spring 2008 per state legislation. The tests would be subcontracted by ASU and developed by VETCS (test making company). A couple of issues were presented by Dr. Gandy. 1) We need Pilot time 2) New delivery system – can be found on the Internet 3) should be no costs to the schools. The new Carl Perkins Act has new measures and definitions of completers and concentrators. Our state must rewrite and the state will send to the CTE Directors and Teachers when they are updated. State Board of Education - Superintendent Horne received a letter from the Association of Social Studies Teachers regarding the proposal to add Economics as a requirement for graduation. This is an information item at the 2/26 February meeting. Business and Marketing teachers could help fill the shortage of highly qualified Economics teachers. The downside of this is do you really have time to teach more? The upside is that now maybe Business teachers would be recognized as integral members of teaching. ACEE is in favor of Economics becoming a graduation requirement in our state. Professional Development – the 25th annual Business Education meeting was held February 1 at the Arizona Historical Society Museum. There were 50 attendees. A panel presented to the theme of “Innovation” and two breakout sessions were offered. The next professional development opportunity for teachers is the Summer CTE Conference in Tucson. FBLA-PBL February will be very busy as the regional conferences are being held in Safford, Yuma, and Kingman. State FBLA will be held April 2-4. Bennie to contact Ryan Hamilton regarding the monetary award from ABEA to the FBL student of the year. We will give the same amount as last year. Arizona Small Business Association annual golf tournament to be held April 20th at Stone Creek Golf Course in Paradise Valley.

Past President Abel Hernandez discussed the open offices he still has for the slate of officers for next year’s board. He is still looking for nominations for President-Elect and Treasurer-Elect. The Middle School and Central Secondary Representative positions will be vacant until the new board.

Chris Liebelt-Garcia is working on the photo album so it can be shared at the Spring Conference.

Sonia Bribiescas discussed the ABEA web site. She has been working with the support of the board on updating the look of our web site. The old site had 952 files and 18 links. She has condensed it to 47 files and 6 category links. Janet Hill made a motion to accept the web site and logo as presented to be published in Sonia’s timetable. Motion seconded by Bennie Carlos. Passed unanimously. She still needs the Minutes sent to her from July, September, and November 2006 so they can be posted.

A thank you was given by Dr. Gryder to Dr. Rader and Brent for their work on the Silver Edition of the Journal. Issue 23 is not on the archive. It would cost \$500. Delta Pi Epsilon has a little money, maybe they could help pay for part of it? A motion was made by Brent Sebold to allow \$250 for the archiving of fall 2004 issue, volume 23 of the ABEA Journal to be paid to Tom Leyba. Motion seconded by Janet Hill. Passed unanimously.

Brent Sebold presented the board with an old and a new ABEA membership brochure that he has

been developing. He asked the board for their assistance with updates and changes. The logo will change. A motion was made by Bennie Carlos to accept the brochure with minor additions/changes. Seconded by Rochelle Thompson. Passed unanimously.

Abel Hernandez to contact Dana about the Awards for the Spring Conference.

Wayne Young, Scholarship Committee Chair presented the secretary with a copy of his report. He completed all informational letters to university's regarding the ABEA scholarships and they will be mailed out by next week. Checks, certificates and membership cards will be presented at the conference to the winners.

The Spring Conference Auction proceeds go to the FBLA-PBL Foundation. All board members were asked to bring items to today's meeting or our meeting the night before the Spring Conference.

Kris Sheets submitted his WBITE report. He asked Neala to write a letter for the Montana conference on behalf of ABEA. The 2008 WBITE Conference being held in Scottsdale in May – ABEA membership and past and present officers **will need** to take an active role in the conference. ABEA will not conduct a Spring Conference during 2008. Their annual meeting will be held during breakfast Monday, May 26th, 2008. Motion by Jaci Jones to advance \$1000 for WBITE 2008 Conference Committee to be reimbursed at the WBITE 2007 Conference. Seconded by Wayne Young. Passed unanimously. Linda Simmons was recently appointed WBITE 2008 Membership Director. The board sends their congratulations.

Chris Liebelt Garcia discussed the summer conference. They are working on planning the night out, securing presenters and facilitators. The Night-Out will have a Pirate theme this year. It will be held Monday night. The ABEA luncheon will be Tuesday. The matrix will be ready by the February 15th deadline. The call for facilitators was made. Chris needs \$300-\$500 for speaker gifts. The meeting of the board will be moved to Wednesday morning July 18th at 8:00 a.m. The silent auction items during the Night Out will benefit the ABEA scholarship fund.

Sally Powers submitted her report for review and filing.

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 2:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jaci Jones
ABEA 2006-2007 Secretary

NEW BUSINESS

- I. Amendment – Proposed written amendment to Article VI, Section 3. Appoint the Secretary duties to include updating and maintenance of business cards and letterhead for the organization.
- II. Next meeting to be held Thursday, April 19, 2007 at 6 p.m. at Chaparral Suites Hotel. Bennie will be in charge of setting up the accommodations.

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.