

AESD Board Members

Gary Coe, ESD 101
Bill Gant, ESD 105
Dr. Richard Graham, ESD 112
Howard Coble, ESD 113
Katie Proteau, ESD 114
Charlie Staadecker, President, ESD 121
Brad Gingerich, Past President, ESD 123
Larry MacGuffie, ESD 171
Merle Kirkley, ESD 189



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**AESD
Annual Business Meeting
Seattle Westin Hotel
April 16, 2011**

MINUTES

Call to Order

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, President Charles Staadecker called the business meeting of the AESD membership to order at 8:22 a.m.

Establish Quorum

A quorum was present.

Approval of 2010 Minutes

Moved/Seconded/Carried/Bauer/Graham to approve the Minutes from the April 24, 2010 meeting held in Vancouver.

Approval of Agenda

Hearing no objections, there was approval of the agenda with the following announcement: After election of the officers, the business meeting will recess to listen to the morning presentations. Following those, the business meeting will resume and the transfer of the gavel to the new president will occur along with the President's award.

Transitions – Introductions of new board members

President Staadecker asked each ESD to announce changes within the past year in board membership of each ESD.

AESD Executive Board – Gary Coe is replacing Robert Bauer as ESD 101 board representative.

North East WA ESD 101 – No changes.

ESD 105 – Patrick Perez

ESD 112 – Patricia Kellogg

ESD 113 – No changes.

ESD 123 – No changes.

North Central ESD 171 – No changes.

Northwest ESD 189 – Gordon Griggs

Olympic ESD 114 - Jay Garrett

Puget Sound ESD 121 - Vicki Asakura and Abby Jackson (ex officio member)

Both board members, Donn Ring (Olympic 114) and Ron Schmidt (NE ESD 101) were commended for their service of 39 years on their respective ESD boards.

Business Report

The legislative report was provided by Jim Shoemake and Marcia Fromhold who stated it has been a long, tough season. Both the House and Senate are adjourned until Monday, which is unusual and is indicative of internal struggles between the houses. OFM staff is supportive of saving core funding. Three bills of interest were highlighted: the school district insolvency bill that asks ESDs to create a plan to help districts at risk of insolvency. OSPI will convene the ESD superintendents and issue a final report; the innovation zone bill, which encourages interested to create that in their region or a school can become an innovation zone. This may require waivers or a review of the system by ESDs. ESDs will recommend up to three innovation projects in their regions. OSPI will make the final decision. Last is the childcare facilities legislation which requires fingerprinting and background checks. Since ESDs are equipped to do this, they will advance this in the interim period.

Shoemake reported on how nimble the ESD Network was yesterday, in being able to respond to the budgets on ADA, alternative learning and the 3% reduction. After hearing from Sen. Brown, they switched out the ADA and put the bus depreciation schedule back in. He expressed his appreciation for the work on the ground. Marcia Fromhold stated that core-funding was retained in both the House and Senate budgets. In the House budget, they retained and increased the math/science coordinator. In the Senate budget, they cut them by 50%. They'll work on those. The Senate bill does not fund the insolvency bill but the House budget does. She also announced that the Senate can now amend the budget on the floor. As negotiations occur, it will go behind the doors. Legislators will go home this next Thursday and come back for a special session. The House budget freezes salaries while the Senate budget cuts them by 3%. Of course, this will open up collective bargaining contracts. Also, transportation coordinators are retained by the House but cut by the Senate. Technical centers were cut.

Marcia indicated ESDs need to continue to send the message of cooperatives, collaboration and efficiencies. She also reported she meets weekly with Ken Kanikeberg and Randy Dorn as the OSPI liaison from the ESDs.

School Accreditation Report - Helene Paroff of NE ESD 101 reported on the AESD School Accreditation effort. The subcommittee is Barbara Peterson (PESD), Larry MacGuffie (NCESD), and Rick Anthony (ESD 113). She and Kathy Shoop coordinate the reviews. They will hear from eight schools, and there are three schools on a review. They have accomplished what they said they would do in last year's minutes. They are gearing up to market the service.

Officer Nominations – Past President Brad Gingerich presented the slate of officer candidates for this upcoming year: Larry MacGuffie for President and Merle Kirkley for Vice President. Per the bylaws, Gingerich asked the body three times if there were any nominations from the floor. There were no further nominations.

Moved/Seconded/Carried/Vogeler/Stickel to accept the nominations presented. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Financial report – Dr. Bruce Hawkins provided the background on the budget proposal. He reported that the audit committee found the accounts to be in order. The current fund balance was \$62,681 which was reviewed by the executive board, who appointed a budget committee to propose the budget for the next fiscal year. They are proposing a budget item of \$7,500. Due to a growing fund balance. The reason the fund balance was growing was due to generous support of sponsors at the annual conferences. They are looking as to how to best invest that on behalf of children. They propose to help

fund costs for the accreditation. This line item is proposed to be reviewed annually. The floor was opened for questions. There were none.

Moved/Seconded/Carried/Coble/Wasson to approve the budget as proposed. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Other Business

Howard Coble was recognized for having been honored by the AASA for his service in education.

There being no further immediate business, the meeting adjourned at 8:51 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. when it was resumed.

President's Award

Charlie Staadecker gave the President's Award to the Seattle Symphony's director of education, Nancy Gosen.

Election of Officers

The membership unanimously elected Larry MacGuffie as President and Merle Kirkley as Vice President. Staadecker passed the gavel to Larry MacGuffie, who presented Staadecker with a gift in recognition of his leadership.

Recognition of Brian Talbott

Dr. Twyla Barnes and Dr. Bruce Hawkins on behalf of the ESDs recognized Dr. Brian Talbott for his work in raising the visibility of ESDs across the country

Announcement of 2012 Conference

Members saw a preview of the 2012 AESD annual conference which will be hosted by North Central ESD and held at Lake Chelan on April 12-14, 2012.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Sands
Recording Secretary

Approved:

President