

FGMEA Executive Board Meeting
FEA Office
March 25, 2014

I. Call to Order at 4:33PM

Present: Michael Dennis, Jennifer Frazier, Deb Rudd, Rebecca Caldwell, Erin Cooper, Rob Stansbery, Jeanette Essig, Kate Fellin, Lee Larsen, Marian Schultz, Bev Ogden, Joy Petty, Alice Real, Emily Sternisha, Sara Alipanah, Debbie Key, Meg Hannan, Josie Walker, and Pam Wilson

II. President's Report: Michael Dennis

A. There may end up being more staff cuts than we first thought (maybe about 14 instead of 12 music positions cut)

III. Vice President's Report: Jen Frazier

A. ERFC Update: Jeanne Carr, Executive Director of the ERFC presented about our retirement plans. She indicated that retirement plan representatives will be visiting schools this fall. Encourage your principal to get on the list early!

B. The Board of Supervisors' public hearing on the budget will be April 8-10th. Speakers from FEA will represent you on Tuesday, April 8, at 6:00 p.m. We are on the speakers list very soon after the FCPS budget presentation. A showing of dedicated school employees is also important on Wednesday, April 9, at 4:30 p.m. as other county services stand in solidarity with us to tell the Board of Supervisors to fully fund our community and keep Fairfax strong.

C. VEA Elections (Michael Dennis will be voting): The delegates to the VEA Convention will elect the next president of the VEA. We voted unanimously to endorse Sarah Patton. Jeff Pennington is running unopposed for VEA Vice President. James Fedderman and Steve Whitten are running for a seat as NEA Director. No endorsement was made in this race.

D. Remember to wear blue on Wednesdays until a funded budget is passed.

IV. Secretary's Report:

A. Meeting notes from February 2014 were approved as corrected.

V. Treasurer's Report: Deb Rudd

A. Financial Report:

<i>Ending Balance 2/25/14</i>	<i>\$14,571.87</i>
<i>Deposits/credits</i>	<i>114.95</i>
<i>Withdrawals/debits</i>	<i>395.92</i>
<i>Ending Balance 3/25/14</i>	<i>\$14,290.90</i>

B. A new check was issued to a grant recipient because the cost of software increased. This was still under the limit set forth.

VI. Fine Arts Office Report: Jeanette Essig

A. FCPS technology approval

1. students may not create accounts without parent permission
2. your SBTS can submit anything

- B. Copyright requests and synchronization rights for ACCF are all approved
- C. Lots of people want to do curriculum projects this summer (6th grade state document is much different than 5th grade because it was the middle school team)
- D. School Board Representative (at large) - Ryan MacElveen is going to give our opening remarks at ACCF.
- E. Elementary schools are way behind in make-up hours for snow days: look for updates on how the school board is going to have us make this up

VII. Committee Chair Reports:

A. Past President: Rob Stansbery

- 1. We need a treasurer! Our constitution states that this person needs to have been a member of the board at least one year. Please email Rob or Michael if you are interested.
- 2. **Motion: Rob Stansbery**
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I move that we accept the slate of officers for the 2014-2015 school year, to be voted upon at the General Membership meeting on April 26th.

President: Michael Dennis

Vice President: Jennifer Frazier

Secretary: Rebecca Caldwell

Treasurer: Vacant at this time

Chair, Cluster 1 & 2: Carolyn Dorey

Chair, Cluster 3 & 4: Kelly Harbison

Chair, Cluster 5 & 6: Erin Cooper

Chair, Cluster 7 & 8: Josie Walker

Second: Pam Wilson

Passed Unanimously

B. Choral Festival: Lee Larsen / Marian Schultz

- 1. Email going out to committee chairs for job assignments.
- 2. There will be a new “dismissal plan” and parking plan for pick-up on Friday.
- 3. The only change on the “Soldier, Soldier” instrumentation is the extra measure (he has a wife at home) is gone.
- 4. Marian is emailing Emily Ellsworth to confirm dates. We are trying to solidify the date of the festival but need the HS calendar to open up first.

C. In-Service: Kate Fellin / Emily Sternisha

- 1. We are going over options for professional development opportunities for next year.
- 2. Hopefully we will fund Tim Brophy to come in and talk about assessment.

D. Social: Debbie Key

- 1. ACCF lunch will be provided by FGMEA on Friday; breakfast will be catered by Panera on Saturday. There will not be soda but there will be fruit and/or nuts.

VIII. Old Business

IX. New Business

- A. The next board meeting is May (TBA); this will be our final meeting for this school year.

X. Adjournment at 5:39