



San Diego County School Personnel Commissioners Association Membership Meeting

Escondido Union School District
11:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 8, 2015

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Holmerud at 11:16 a.m.

Dave Homerud, TR Lin, BethAnn Arko, Amy Lawton, Corrie Amador, Vic Garcia, Pat Ridenour, Sherry Rogers, Angela Bishop, Rick Labib-Wood and Anthony Alton were present.

Approval of Agenda

BethAnn Arko motioned to approve the agenda and TR Lin seconded the motion; the agenda was approved with a membership vote.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the October 8, 2014 meeting were distributed by Secretary Lawton. Corrie Amador made a motion to approve the minutes and BethAnn Arko seconded the motion; the motion was approved with a membership vote.

SDCSPCA Update

President Holmerud announced that the San Diego Regional CSPCA Board elections would take place at the June/July meeting, and that interested candidates should notify him of their intent to run. Although only Commissioners have been approved for election to the position of President and Vice President, the roles of Secretary and Treasurer are open to everyone.

Treasurer's Report

The Regional Treasurer's Report was presented by Vic Garcia. It was reported that as of October 7, 2014, the regional association had \$4951.43 in its checking account, and after a deposit of \$250 from various regional membership dues, the ending balance on January 6, 2015 totaled \$5201.43; upon adding the \$999.25 in the association's savings account, the total net worth was calculated at \$6200.68 as of January 6, 2015. Pat Ridenour made a motion to approve the treasurer's report and Sherry Rogers seconded the motion; the motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

CSPCA Update

Merit Academy

TR Lin reminded the group the 2015 merit academy would begin on February 21 in Huntington Beach, with a video feed to the Santa Barbara County Office of Education. Secretary Lawton announced that two applicants had submitted packets for consideration for the regional association sponsored merit academy scholarship. A committee was established to review the applications, consisting of TR Lin, BethAnn Arko and Amy Lawton. The question was raised regarding whether sufficient funds were available to award two scholarships in the case that both applicants were deemed highly qualified by the review committee. Treasurer Garcia asked the group whether it would be practical to wait for the outcome of conference finances before awarding an additional scholarship. After further discussion by the group, BethAnn Arko made a motion to award up to two merit academy scholarships and Sherry Rogers seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

State Board Meetings

President Holmerud announced that state CSPCA board meetings would be held on both Thursday and Sunday during the state conference, and that a state CSPCA general membership meeting would take place on that Saturday, during which the general membership would be asked to vote on proposed bylaw revisions that would relax some of the currently established ratio requirements for board member roles, such as the number of those from Northern vs. Southern regions, the number of roles available to Directors, and increasing the role of honorary life members.

2015 Conference

The conference co-chairs announced that presenters were confirmed and the conference program had been finalized. The program committee had done an incredible job of lining up excellent speakers. To ensure IT issues could be quickly resolved, an employee from Vista USD had offered to provide IT coordination throughout the conference, and was communicating directly with the hotel regarding technical needs.

The membership discussed how complimentary/upgraded rooms would be allocated. It was determined that the regional and state presidents would receive rooms, as well as the conference chair. It was reported every room in the assigned block had been reserved for the conference, and that additional rooms were still available at the venue at the regular rate.

Treasurer Garcia informed the group the association had been unable to obtain a line of credit with the hotel. However, the hotel had agreed to extend the final payment date to 30 days after the conference. The state conference treasury report was presented. After the initial seed money was loaned to the regional association by the state association, a balance of \$4720.42 was available in the designated checking account as of October 7, 2014. Thus far deposits of \$9480.00 and \$19,175.00 had been collected in sponsorships and registration fees. Gifts had recently been purchased for keynote presenters, totaling \$775.16. The ending checking account balance established for the state conference as of January 6, 2015 was \$32,600.17. BethAnn Arko made a motion to approve the budget as presented; the motion was seconded by Secretary Lawton and approved by a membership vote.

TR Lin announced that five vendors had provided payment for their attendance at the upcoming conference. Each would be provided with a table outside of the session rooms, and included in a powerpoint presentation during the Friday lunch. TR offered to check to see which vendors would take part in meals during the conference.

Angela Bishop, registration chair, told the group 185 attendees had registered for the conference thus far. She noted difficulties being experienced with the registration system, which allowed unlimited duplicate records from registrants as they update their information. A brief discussion touched on the need to acquire a list of any “free” registrants prior to the start of the conference. President Holmerud offered to ask the state board about any free registrations that might have been awarded.

Rick Labib-Wood and Anthony Alton volunteered to head up efforts for the President’s Reception events on Thursday and Friday evening. The group was reminded that alcohol could only be purchased with vendor monies, not from attendee registrations since those were seen as public money.

Good of the Order / Items from the Floor

Sherry Rogers took a moment to introduce Anthony Alton as her newest Commissioner at Oceanside Unified School District. He was welcomed by the group.

Next Meeting

The next membership meeting was tentatively scheduled for April 8, 2015. Secretary Lawton offered the use of a conference room at Escondido Union School District once again.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:36 p.m.