

**Education Alliance
Annual Board of Director's Meeting
Minutes
June 23, 2010**

Intuit Payroll Services, 6888 Sierra Center Parkway, Reno, NV

Present: Fred Altmann (PR), Fred Boyd (PR), Bill Cathey (PU), Jennifer Cunningham (PR), Mike Dillon (PR), Judi Gesh (PR), Denise Hedrick (PU), Steve Hull (PU), Ginny Jackson (PR), Steve Laden (PR), Elaine Lancaster (PR), Darcy Marud (PR), Chris Morgan (PR), Helen O'Brien, Jim Pfrommer (PR), Michelle Sanchez-Bickley (PR), Debbie Smith (PR)

Others in Attendance: Pedro Martinez, Chris Askin

Staff: Coleen DeLong, Shawn Vogel, Sharon Cossette

Unable to Attend: Chet Curtis, Mendy Elliott, Margaret Ferrara, Paula Lee Hobson, Manuel Mederos, John Pompei, Leo Ramos

Fred Altmann, President called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

A quorum was established 14PR/3PU

Self-introductions were made.

Pedro Martinez, WCSSD Deputy Superintendent, called in for the meeting.

Consent Items:

MOTION: Approve all consent items included in packet.

BY: Elaine Lancaster

SECOND: Ginny Jackson

VOTE: All consent items were approved as written.

2010 – 2011 Budget:

Helen O'Brien briefly reviewed the unrestricted operating budget.

The budget was based on the 2009 – 2010 numbers, and adjustments were made where needed.

MOTION: Approve the 2010 – 2011 budget as presented.

BY: Fred Boyd

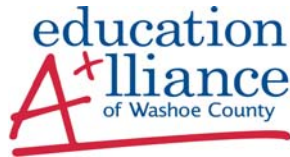
SECOND: Elaine Lancaster

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously without further discussion.

Nominating Committee Recommendations Final:

Mike Dillon gave the report. Mike announced and reviewed the names of the nominees to fill the available board positions. They are:

Dr. Angie Taylor, Assistant Pastor at Greater Light Christian Center



Debra Gamble, President of the Northern Nevada Black Cultural Awareness Society
Dr. Julie Wagner, St. Mary's hospital
Leann Pinguelo, Reno Orthopedic Clinic

There is another vacant position, and waiting for confirmation from the possible candidate. Fred Boyd, Paul Curtis, Bernice Martin Mathews, and Steve Laden will step off the board with no replacement.

The slate of officers and Executive Committee for 2010-2011:

Jim Pfrommer, President
Fred Altmann, Past President
Mike Dillon, Vice President
Ginny Jackson, Secretary
Helen O'Brien, Treasurer
Michelle Sanchez-Bickley, At Large

MOTION: Approve the nominated candidates to fill the vacant board positions, and slate of officers for 2010-2011
BY: Fred Boyd
SECOND: Elaine Lancaster
VOTE: The motion passed unanimously without further discussion.

Candidate Questions:

Ginny Jackson reviewed the draft list of suggested questions to candidates on Nevada education issues. The P-16 Advocacy Council created the questions for use in the community. They were brought to the board for their approval.

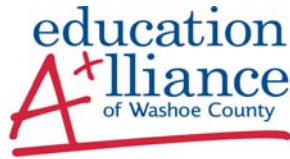
MOTION: Adopt the suggested questions on Nevada education issues for candidates running for the U.S. Congress, Nevada Legislature, Governor, and local school boards as written.
BY: Steve Laden
SECOND: Michelle Sanchez-Bickley
VOTE: The motion passed unanimously without further discussion.

The questions will be sent to candidates along with a cover letter.

Promise Neighborhood Grant:

Denise Hedrick reviewed the program description.

MOTION: The Education Alliance approve moving forward with the Promise Neighborhood Grant.
BY: Jim Pfrommer
SECOND: Bill Cathey
VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.



For additional information on the Promise Neighborhood Grant please go to:
<http://www2.ed.gov/programs/promiseneighborhoods/index.html>

Board Work Session & Planning for 2010 – 2011:

09-10 Draft Tactical Plan – Jim Pfrommer provided a follow-up on the board planning session. The tactical plan was reviewed.

Foundation Support

Chris Askin, Executive Director of the Community Foundation, gave information about the organization. He discussed the platform and process of raising money for Washoe County School District, and will help the EA get started.

The Education Alliance Executive Committee has approved the recommendation, and is asking the board for its support.

MOTION: Board to support moving forward with the basic fundraising model as described by Chris Askin.

BY: Elaine Lancaster

SECOND: Bill Cathey

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

Fund raising will be transitioned to the Community Foundation as soon as possible.

P-16 Advocacy Council 2010-2011 –

Ginny Jackson gave the report. The P-16 Advocacy Council has chosen to form a community wide taskforce that will look at issues in education, such as graduation rate, etc. A core study will be done in Northern Nevada. With the assistance of an outside firm an objective report will be created.

The project is in the preliminary stages at this time, and is scheduled to be ready by the end of this year.

MOTION: The Education Alliance Board of Director's support moving forward with the taskforce project.

BY: Steve Laden

SECOND: Judi Gesh

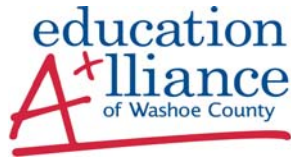
VOTE: The motion passed unanimously

2010 -2011 Meeting and Opportunity Calendar –

A list of projected Education Alliance Board and committee meeting dates was included in the packet for members.

Director's Recognized:

Steve Laden and Fred Boyd are retiring from the board, and were recognized for their efforts.



Fred Altmann will become the Past President, and was recognized for his assistance with the merger between the Education Collaborative and the Washoe Education Foundation. Fred passed the gavel to the 2010-2011 EA Board President, Jim Pfrommer.

Informational Items:

Shawn Vogel was introduced. She is replacing Nanette Sison as the Community Outreach Coordinator, and will support Denise in the Administration of the PIRC Grant.

The “Principal for a Day” survey results were reviewed. The program will be offered again in the fall.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Fred Altmann, President

These minutes were prepared by Sharon Cossette, Administrative Secretary, Education Alliance