

SOUTHEAST DISTRICT OF MASC

Minutes of Advisor's Meeting

November 8, 2011

Jennifer Miller, SE District MASC Board Representative, welcomed all advisors to the meeting. She recognized and gave a small gift to each school participating in the convention for the first time and to the new advisors present at the meeting. The new schools were: East Carter County HS; Kingston HS; North County MS; Oakridge HS, and Potosi MS. New advisors were: Sal Higgins, Bernie HS; Hope Conover, Poplar Bluff HS; Derek Ward, Sikeston HS; Sherri Sparks, Oak Ridge HS; Julie Hamann, Puxico HS; Jen Lipe, Jackson JH; John Paul Manetz, South Iron HS, and Josh Cole, Perryville HS.

Lindsey Prawitz from Special Olympics talked to the Advisors about the Spread the Word Campaign, Word 2012, Polar Bear Plunge and "Get into it" – Interactive learning curriculum about understanding people's differences. She thanked the district for their continued support of Special Olympics.

Jennifer reviewed the minutes from the March 2011 Advisor's Meeting at the MASC State Convention. She reminded the advisors that it was decided to give a half price membership to schools that hadn't been members of the SE District in the past two years. Marsha Medlin, Cape Central HS made the motion to accept the minutes and Derek Ward, Sikeston HS seconded the motion. There was no opposition.

The next order of business was a discussion of the financial report. Jennifer explained that the income and expense statement showed a negative balance, but it was because all registration fees had not been collected. There is still about \$8,700 in outstanding accounts receivable. She also noted that some of the convention expenses had not yet been paid. The current balance in the checkbook is \$11,896. Mary Grobe, DeSoto HS moved to accept the financial report, Brent Broeking, Perryville HS, seconded. The report was accepted without opposition.

Jennifer called the Advisor's attention to the dates of upcoming workshops, conventions and Summer Leadership Camp.

Old Business – Jennifer reminded the advisors to pay their State dues by December 31, 2011. MASC and NASC dues are part of the Honor Council Application. She encouraged councils to apply for Honor Council in order to be recognized for the great work they do during the year.

New Business:

1. Jennifer talked about the MASC t-shirt picture campaign and told the advisors about the prizes their council could receive by sending in pictures of the t-shirts to Terri Johnson.

2. Jennifer also encouraged the advisors to visit the MASC website and emphasized they visit the website for all of the available resources and the wonderful technology tips provided by Webmaster, Ann Bolzenius. Jennifer handed out the instructions on how to “follow” on Twitter and told the advisors how simple, yet effective a means of communication it was for her council this year.

3. Perks for President – Jennifer mentioned that she felt that our district should be doing more for the schools that step up and run for district president. The school gets a Summer Leadership Camp scholarship, but she felt we should do more to encourage schools to run for president. She suggested that maybe the president school could bring a specified number of students free to the convention or that they receive a stipend for decorations, etc. Brandi Maddox, Sikeston HS, suggested we offer a stipend of a set amount to the president school to be used for student registration, decorations, etc. It was moved by Derek Ward, Sikeston HS that we offer a \$500 stipend to the president school to be used for student registration or convention expenses, such as decorations. Mary Grobe, DeSoto HS seconded the motion. The motion was passed, unopposed. Jennifer said she wanted the motion to be retroactive to include Perryville HS, the current president school. She also indicated that if the stipend was to be used for miscellaneous expenses, that the president school would need to provide invoices/receipts for those expenses.

4. Nominations for Advisor of the Year were discussed. Those advisors who have been nominated, before the convention are: Tyson Moyers, Chaffee HS; Nita Dubois, Cape Central HS; Brent Broeking, Perryville HS. Additional advisors nominated at the Advisor’s Meeting were: Alyssa Peanick, DeSoto MS; Tina Sodam, DeSoto MS and Brandy Maddox, Sikeston HS. Jennifer told the advisors that she would send the link for voting later this week and that the winning advisor would be recognized at the MASC convention in March.

5. Jennifer reminded the advisors that the SE District would still offer two full scholarships to Summer Leadership Camp. The applications will be on the MASC website. She will send reminders after the first of the year.

Door Prizes

Adjourn

Minutes submitted by Sherry Dukes, Dexter High School.