

# HILLSBOROUGH ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS

Minutes - December 1, 2003

## In Attendance:

Ken Allen, Nuri Ayres, Ed Ballas, Richard Batchelor, Janelle Buck, Lou Cerreta, Tammy Crawford-Morse, Mary Cunningham, Cathy Davis, Larry Davis, Ernie Fernandez, Victor Fernandez, Chuck Fleming, Connie Hayden-McPeak, Ina Helmick, Joe Leavens, Jean Leone, Lois Mautte, Mari McBryar, John Miliziano, Patricia Orta, Mike Phillips, Lanness Robinson, Peter Russo, Sherrie Sikes, Maria Singfield, David Smith, Pat Smith, Tee Solomon, Don Sorondo, and Charlotte Valenti. Special guest: Ashley Smith, candidate for State Representative, District 62.

Charlotte Valenti, HASA President, called the regular Board of Directors meeting to order at 5:03 PM. She invited all present to enjoy the holiday meal that was being provided.

## A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS:

### I. Secretary – Peter Russo:

The November minutes were reviewed. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried.

### II. Treasurer – Nelson Luis

In the absence of the treasurer, Dr. Allen presented the November treasurer's report. For the benefit of all members present, Dr. Allen reviewed the report in detail, explaining some of the line items that are included. It was moved and seconded to accept the report for audit. Dr. Miliziano mentioned that more information from our financial advisors would be forthcoming at the January meeting regarding investments other than CDs.

Dr. Allen asked the Board to consider, as in past years, voting a two percent salary increase for the Executive Director and Administrative Assistant. Traditionally, these positions have been granted the same raise as is granted to school district employees. A motion was made and seconded to approve the raises and it passed unanimously.

### III. Membership Report – Ken Allen

Dr. Allen presented the November membership report. He named four new members and three departing members for a total of 664 members for November. Dr. Allen then conducted the membership drive cash prize drawing. The winners were (1) Jean Leone, \$500, (2) Lois Mautte, \$300, and (3) David Toward, \$100. Congratulations were offered to all winners.

### IV. President's Report – Charlotte Valenti

Ms. Valenti reviewed the results of the November 12<sup>th</sup> Superintendent's Roundtable meeting. Some discussion ensued regarding the 257 to 253 day cut for administrators. Further discussion was held regarding the increase in the daily rate of administrators, which impacts retirement in a positive way. No other questions or concerns related to the November Roundtable meeting were brought up, and Ms. Valenti asked for topics for the December meeting. After some discussion, it was decided not to schedule a December Roundtable meeting. Ms. Valenti asked the Board to introduce themselves around the table, as many new faces were in attendance.

Ashley Smith, candidate for State Representative was introduced. Mr. Smith congratulated HASA on its growth over the years and its status in the state, and commended the group for the respect it has garnered in Tallahassee. Mr. Smith reviewed for the Board his activities over the past weeks, and his anticipated activities when things start moving more in February and March. These included meetings with labor unions, (CTA), FASA, etc. He encouraged the Board to support the incoming president of FASA, Nuri Ayres. He noted that currently a strong Republican base exists, and that many crossover votes would be needed in order to win.

### V. Executive Director's Report – John Miliziano

Dr. Miliziano acknowledged new alternates Chuck Fleming and Colleen Richardson. He then reviewed articles that were due for the next newsletter and encouraged Board members to submit news and items of interest.

**B. COMMITTEE REPORTS/OLD BUSINESS:**

The Special Projects committee reminded the Board that the upcoming School Board Forum would be February 24<sup>th</sup>. The theme of the dinner will be *Go the Extra Mile*. Dr. Miliziano asked that Board members be thinking of topics for discussion. The Spring Social was also discussed; it will be held on April 28<sup>th</sup> and more information will be forthcoming.

**C. NEW BUSINESS/ROUNDTABLE:**

The FASA Legislative Days will be held March 15 – 18, 2004.

The FASA Summer Conference will again be at Marco Island, July 5 – 8, 2004.

With no further HASA business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

**Peter Russo**

Peter Russo, Secretary

*\*These minutes are not official until approved at the January 2003 meeting.*