

HILLSBOROUGH ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS

MINUTES -- November 7, 2005

In Attendance: Ken Allen, Carla Bruning, Janelle Buck, Donna Cason, Lou Cerreta, Mary Cunningham, Linda Denison, Pam Elles, Connie Hayden-McPeak, Ina Helmick, Jean Leone, Lois Mautte, Mac McBride, Mari McBryar, John Miliziano, Bill Orr, Mike Phillips, Maria Singfield, Pat Smith, Tee Solomon, Elsa Tuggle .

President Pat Smith welcomed board members at 5:06 PM and called the meeting to order. Tee Solomon offered a meditation/blessing, and a delicious holiday meal coordinated by Ken Allen was enjoyed by all.

A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS:

I. Secretary – Mary Cunningham:

Mary Cunningham asked the board to review the October minutes. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes. The motion passed.

II. Treasurer – Elsa Tuggle

Ms. Tuggle presented the October treasurer's report. Accounts were reviewed and considered to be in good financial standing. One minor posting error was verbally corrected by Ms. Tuggle. It was noted that the Fall Social came in just a couple of hundred dollars over budget due to record attendance and needing additional food.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the report for audit. The motion passed.

III. Membership Report – Lou Cerreta

Lou Cerreta presented the membership report for October and encouraged component group representatives to strive for 100% membership in their groups. It was noted that eight new members came onboard at the Fall Social, and many others since. A request was made for an updated prospective member list to be provided to the group before the December meeting. Cash members who have not renewed will receive a final reminder and will be taken off the rolls if not renewed by January, 2006.

IV. President's Report – Pat Smith

Ms. Smith asked Dr. Miliziano to address the FASA institutional membership issue. Dr. Miliziano explained a new plan that Jim Warford was presenting to districts across the state regarding the Superintendents paying for administrator FASA memberships in their district. Although this is not feasible in Hillsborough due to its size, it was noted that Ms. Elia is a staunch FASA membership supporter. More information on institutional memberships will be addressed in an upcoming HASA newsletter.

Sales Tax/Impact Fees: HASA will help and support wherever we can.

The invitation to meet at Bowers-Whitley was appreciated but it was decided that the site is too far north and not centrally located.

V. Executive Director's Report – John Miliziano

Dr. Miliziano informed the group that the FAIR amendment will be returning to the forefront. Last year's effort and the dollars spent did not pay off with many surveys being signed. It was suggested that perhaps a private agency could be hired to process surveys. The initiative will be looked at closer when the time comes.

Dr. Miliziano invited any interested parties to attend the Coalition meeting on the 18th. Special speaker Walter Price of Palm Beach County will address salary structure, longevity, steps, etc.

The Coalition is also working on the January 21st workshop to be held at Jefferson High School on the three issues: (1) 1.6% multiplier, (2) DROP, (3) Health Insurance subsidy. FASA is co-sponsoring and five other districts are contributing monetarily. Breakfast and lunch will be provided and inservice points can be earned. It is hoped that communication networks can be established and information made available on grass roots, local-level lobbying regarding the issues.

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS/OLD BUSINESS:

- Pam Elles informed the committee that the website calendar has successfully been sent to the webmaster and any dates anyone has for posting should be emailed as soon as possible.
- Spring Social date is Wednesday, 4/19, tentatively booked at Margarita Mama's at Channelside. Other options are still being researched for sites, but the date is on the Superintendent's calendar. Suggestions of alternate restaurants were made and more information will be forthcoming.
- The School Board Forum is scheduled at Valencia for February 16th. Menu and program are essentially the same as in prior years.
- No dates are yet available for Legislative Days. Dr. Ken Allen will keep the HASA board informed as soon as information is available.

C. NEW BUSINESS/ROUNDTABLE:

- Connie Hayden-McPeak gave a report on travel rates and per diem in other counties. Many were 48.5 cents per mile for travel. Some had higher per diem, with Orange County paying \$7 breakfast, \$7 lunch and \$17 dinner. Pat Smith thanked Connie for this information and the issue was scheduled for discussion at the next Superintendent's Roundtable, along with the issue of Impact Fees/Sales Tax Increase and Administrative Salary Schedule
- Tee Solomon gave information on an organization (Council for Education Change) that coordinated a conference she recently attended. The group was very impressive and may be something HASA would like to explore in the future.

With no further business, a motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Cunningham

Mary Cunningham, Secretary

**These minutes are not official until approved at the December, 2005 meeting.*