

FRYSCKy, Inc. Board Meeting
November 1, 2009
Louisville, KY

Members Presents: Brian Akers, Becky Atherton, Sandra Ballew-Barnes, Jill Blackman, Paula Clark, Teresa Combs, Michael Denney, Michelle Dunaway, Sarah Evans, Michael Flynn, Adrian Graham, Kathy Hall, Leslie Hall, Joan Howard, Kelly Jenkins, Doug Jones, Michael Jones, Tana Jones, Sherry Kelly, Betty Marshall, Mary Ann McKenzie, Sallye Pence, Graham Reynolds, Rebial Reynolds, Kay Roe, Tammy Stephens, Leesa Stivers, Kathryn Turner, Artleta Watkins.

Members Absent: NONE.

Welcome by President Tana Jones.

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 by President Tana Jones.

Opening prayer was offered by Betty Marshall.

Minutes: The minutes from the September 2009 board meeting were presented to the board. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Kathy Hall, seconded by Rebial Reynolds. Motion carried.

Financial Report: Treasurer Sallye Pence presented the financial report to the board. She reported that as of June 30, 2009 a balance of \$ 29,121.13 in the checking account and a balance of \$76,202.09 in the certificate of deposit. Ms. Pence also reported total cash assets of \$ 105,323.22. The closing balance in the checking account as of October 31, 2009 is \$60,558.15, CD balance \$ 76,818.88, and total cash assets as of 10/31/2009 are 137,377.03. A motion was made by Kathryn Turner to accept the financial report, Tammy Stephens seconded. Motion carried.

Audit: Michael Jones reported the audit will be available in a couple of weeks, and will be sent out via email.

Membership Report: Leesa Stivers gave the membership report to the board. As of 10/31/2009, the Coalition has 382 members, not including those who joined as part of the conference. She further reported that the updated membership Power Point will go out to President Tana Jones on Thursday November 5, 2009.

DFRYSC Update: Michael Denney – Mr. Denney reported that the upcoming budget session is the worst ever, and that coalition members play a very important role in the next six months. We need to be diligent in talking to our legislators. Centers currently receive \$203.00 per free meal eligible student. Previously, there were 16 schools that qualified for a center, but due to budget constraints, were not able to be funded. From

December 2008 through May 2009, we now have over 30 schools that qualify. Free lunch numbers are increasing, meaning that same money has to go for more students which will decrease the \$203.00 per child. We are going to have to work hard to keep ourselves afloat. Dr. Holliday is visiting schools and centers. If he visits a school, he will visit the Family Resource and/or Youth Service Center. Mr. Denney encouraged him to be welcomed with “open arms.”

KDE Update: Joan Howard -- Ms. Howard encourages centers to be mindful of the school/state test scores. She feels that anything and everything we do has to be related to test scores because that is what the legislators are looking for. It is also important that people on the state board know how important we are and what we do. She encouraged us to email our legislators and invite them to our programs.

KY-ASAP: Betty Marshall reported that the next regular meeting is on November 19, 2009. There has been no new information since our last coalition meeting. She reemphasized that we need to spend our Ky-ASAP grant money because we cannot justify carry-over funds.

Kentucky Youth Advocates: Betty Marshall and Mike Flynn reported the following:

- A special thanks to those who attended the Step Up for Kid’s Day. Seven of our FRYSC people got the attention of the Kentucky Youth Advocates, and we really made an impression. There was a legislative panel at the end of the day, and three of those panel members gave great and positive comments about FRYSC.
- Regarding **Children’s Advocacy Day:** Get posters to Mike Flynn – bring them to him or mail them to him. Betty and Mike will go with them to decorate the tunnel. Our posters will be framed in identical frames so they will stand out. Extra posters will be used at legislative reception.

Committee Reports:

- **Public Policy Committee and Public Relations Committee:** Rebial Reynolds presented the legislator contact sheet. She encouraged members to use the sheet to report contact made during the current school year. Regional reps are asked to send this information to Rebial by December 1, 2009. Regarding the Governor’s Task Force – Rebial made sure that everyone has a contact. She also discussed the message to be given to the people on the task force via a brochure that can be given out. Task force meetings are open meetings to the public.
- **Public Relations & Marketing Committee:** Brian Akers read a letter from Sissy Cawood regarding the “Faces of FRYSC” Campaign. He checked on prices for buttons, and Jill Blackburn volunteered to do pictures for the pin. Kathy Hall made a motion for the Coalition to cover the cost of the buttons and to purchase 1,000 buttons. The motion was seconded by Rebial Reynolds. Motion Carried. Lastly, Brian needs more legislative page applications from the regions. Legislative Page Days are still being scheduled.

Regarding the Legislative Reception:

- The Legislative Reception is scheduled for February 16, 2010 (Tuesday Evening) at the Capitol Plaza. Exhibits from each region will be displayed around the room. The time frame will be 6:00 – 9:00. A training will be held prior to the reception from 2:00 – 3:30. Coalition members may attend the reception for free. Non-members will be charged to attend.

Fundraising Committee: Sandra Ballew-Barnes reported those who ordered t-shirts prior to Fall Institute can pick those up at the registration table.

Web Page and Newsletter: Michael Jones and Sarah Evans reported that with an overwhelming submission of stories and pictures, the newsletter is too big to email. A link will be emailed to coordinators.

OLD BUSINESS

Fall Institute 2009: Michael Jones indicated that we need facilitators for some workshops. Door prizes need to be at the registration table by 10:00 on Monday. Board members need to sign up for the FRYSCKy store schedule.

Fall Institute 2010: No Report Given.

Meeting Dates and Locations

February 17, 2010	TBA	Frankfort, Ky.
April 16, 2010	TBA	Lake Barkley – Cadiz, Ky.
July 2010	TBA	In Conjunction with VOV

Closing Prayer was offered by Sherry Kelly.

Adjournment: Motion made by Rebial Reynolds to adjourn, seconded by Becky Atherton. Motion carried.