

FRYSCKy, Inc.
Board Meeting
November 9, 2014
Louisville, KY
Minutes

Members present: Brian Akers, Leslie Hall, Teresa Combs, Sherry Cooper, Sallye Pence, Michael Flynn, Caprecia Sizemore, Doug Jones, Sandra Ballew-Barnes, Michelle Hansen, Linda Krutza, Krista Campisano, Graham Reynolds, Paula Hunter, Christy VanDeventer, Teresa Roberts (designee Region 6), Rose Linda Stafford, Sara Stringfield, Tammy Stephens, Sharon Collins, T.C. Johnson, Barbara Allen, Glenna Gerald's, Mary Ann Jennings, Joan Howard, Melissa Goins, Michael Jones

Welcome and prayer by Brian Akers at 5:50 pm. Then a break was taken for everyone to eat dinner.

Meeting called to order by Brian Akers at 6:40 pm. Brian thanked those who came early to help stuff the conference packets.

Introductions were made by all present.

Minutes were presented by Sallye Pence. Leslie Hall made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Motion seconded by Mike Flynn. Motion passed.

Finance report was made by Sherry Paul. Tammy Stephens made motion to accept with second by Rose Linda Stafford. Motion passed. The remaining tumblers will be sold at Fall Institute Conference. They will also be given as speaker gifts.

Membership report was made by Caprecia. There are 571 members as of October 31, 2014. Reps were asked to keep urging coordinators in their regions to join the coalition. A motion to accept the membership report was made by Mike Flynn with a second by Michelle Hansen.

Melissa Goins made a report that Regional Program Manager positions are open in Regions 1, 5, and 8. The Training Coordinator position is also currently open. The Region 1 position was offered to someone who has accepted the position. The name will be released soon but Melissa believes that Region 1 Coordinators will be happy with this news. She expects the Training position to be filled by weeks end. She said that in August the division had a strategic planning retreat. She said they came up with 8 priorities for the next 1 – 2 years. Some of these include: Infinite Campus / data; technology assistance; quality assurance- when implementing something is it doing what was expected; and customer service – who are we serving and how can we provide the best service. Melissa stated that since starting her position it seems life has been all strategic planning and personnel issues.

Joan Howard reported as the KDE representative. She said the Core Academic Standards are being studied. They want feedback on the specific standards. They are also asking for input on social studies standards along with Arts & Humanities. She reported that Shawn Murphy has retired and Bridget Stacey is now the branch Manager.

KY –ASAP. Teresa Combs has been appointed now as the FRCYS representative. She said at the recent meeting she attended there was a lot of discussion about legalizing marijuana. She said that funds have been released to regional ASAP boards for distribution. She said it was discussed that there may be some cuts in the spring to the budget and that the board wants the money spent. Each Regional board makes funding decision in different ways. The next KY-ASAP meeting will be on November 20, 2014.

Brian said he has made some committee assignments. They are:

Public Policy: Mike Flynn, Rebial Reynolds, Doug Jones, and Leslie Hall

Budget: Sherry Paul, Michael Jones, Leslie Hall, Mike Flynn

By-Laws: Sallye pence, Michelle Hansen, Christy VanDeventer, and Barbara Allen

Membership: Caprecia Sizemore, Linda Krutza

Fundraisers: Tammy Stephens, Sandra Ballew-Barnes, Krista Campisano, and Barbara

Nominating: Graham Reynolds, Paula Hunter, T C Johnson, and Sharon Collins

Brian said that key issues to be discussed at the future meeting is sustainability for the Coalition and by-laws. He said he wants everyone on a committee so if you were left off this list to please let him know.

Public Policy Committee report: Mike Flynn reported that the committee has decided that the theme this year will be "I am a fan of FRYSC". They are asking for artwork by December 12th. All regional reps are asked to get as many pieces of artwork as possible. A template will be sent out by the end of the week. All work must fit the 5 x 7 space. They are planning to make 500 fans with the artwork on them. They do not want a name on the artwork.

Page days have been scheduled. Krista needs everyone to turn in their pages! She will take them the next day or two during the conference. Letter will hopefully be sent out in December to the pages.

Public Policy committee will be working to make new relationships with legislators, especially after losing some key people in the most recent elections. They are hoping to form an Ad-hoc committee to help with this because the committee feels "stretched too thin". They are looking for someone who can be groomed to take the lead. They want someone who is a constituent for some of these key positions. They would like to have 8 – 10 people for this ad-hoc committee. The Public Policy committee is currently meeting on a monthly basis.

They want to encourage all Coordinators to develop a relationship with their legislators. They are working on a power point to explain the difference between advocating and lobbying. There will be a link to this PowerPoint on the FRYSCky website. It is hoped that this will be shared with each regional meeting once it is ready. It will be a useful tool.

Public Relations & Marketing: Don't forget that the Page applications are due at the end of this week. Page days will be Feb 10, 11, 12, 24, 25, and 26, 2015. This is a short

session with fewer legislative days. This schedule will allow some time in March in case make-up days are needed. Regions will be assigned once we know who many total students are selected to Page. Krista recommends everyone check the weather for their home locations and for Frankfort before heading out. Krista will be working on the buttons to use during the legislative page days.

Newsletter: articles for issue 2 are due January 15th. The regions to be highlighted in this issue are 2, 6, 10, 11S. The topics are Fall Institute, community service student groups and family activities. The spring edition date is April 17th for regions 4, 5, 6 Heartland, 7 and 10 East. Instructions will be sent out.

Website: it is going well and people are visiting it. The meeting minutes can not go on it until they have been approved at the next board meeting. As soon as they are approved, they are putting them up on the website.

Facebook: there are currently 280 people who are on our FB page. Brian would like to see all of us posting pictures and notes about our activities to the FRYSCKy Coalition FB page. Michael Jones does a good job of putting interesting things on the page. A suggestion was made to show the page during lunches at the conference if there is a large screen available.

Old Business

Bridges Over Barriers: Leslie said there were a lot of really good nominees this year for the awards. Congrats to the 3 winners. Please reapply if yours was not chosen this year! Thanks to TC, Sandra, Barbara, Teresa, and Rose Linda for working on this. She said there were many good ones and they had to vote several times!

Above and Beyond: Brian reported that there was not a "clear" winner this year. Since this is a special award and does not need to be presented every year it was decided not to give one at 2014 Fall Institute.

New Business

Mini-Grant requests: After reviewing the current mini-grant policy Barbara made a motion with Sharon as the second that a coalition member is allowed up to one mini-grant per year. Motion passed. A proposal for a mini-grant was received by Mike Flynn for \$500 to help pay for air fare and lodging for the Youth League Conference in Washington DC from January 29 – February 1st. He will be going with his student council members. There is a training track for youth and another for adult leaders of the youth. Motion to approve was made by Barbara and a second by Sharon. Motion passed.

Audit: The audit for the year ending June 30, 2014 is in process and should be completed soon. The Audit from 2013 recommended that a report be made to the board periodically with a review of the check register and how invoices are submitted. The auditor was asking why some checks are not written on the same date every month. The 2013 Audit report was good and the suggestions have been very helpful.

Fall Institute 2014: there are 567 registered. This is down 60 from last year. There are 25 vendors. Anthem has contributed a lot to this conference as a vendor and a sponsor so make sure you visit their booth! They are a \$5000 sponsor. Also, KHEAA is a \$500 sponsor and Coventry Cares is a \$500 sponsor. These sponsors help cover the costs of the breakfast on Tuesday and snacks on Monday and Tuesday. If anyone has door prizes please take them to the registration desk.

Fall Institute 2015: The conference will be November 11 – 13, 2015 in Lexington, Ky. Blocks of rooms have been reserved at the Hyatt and the Hilton.

OMP Contract: It is time to renew the contract with OMP. An evaluation on Survey Monkey will be sent out for board members to complete. The contract with OMP runs from January 1 – December 31. A change in the contract is to remove fees for grant software. A motion to approve the Administration Contract was made by Paula with a second by Barbara. Motion passed. The Contract for Conference Planning was also discussed. There were no changes proposed to this contract. Motion to accept Conference and Special Event Management contract was made by Mike Flynn and seconded by Krista Campisano. Motion passed.

Sustainability: Brian said we need to look at our finances and start thinking about sustainability as an organization. He said that our membership numbers are down and conference attendance is down. These are our sources of income. We need to really study our income vs expenses and think of ways to either increase revenue or decrease expenses. The Budget committee, Fundraising Committee and Executive Board will meet to discuss the budget and future sustainability.

Full Membership meeting: The next full membership meeting will be at 1:30 pm on Tuesday November 1, 2014 at approximately 1:30. It will take place following the luncheon at Fall Institute. Brian strongly encourages all board members to stay for this meeting!

Meeting Schedule: The next board meeting will be on February 13, 2015 in Frankfort at 10:00 am. We will meet in April 2015 in Bowling Green at a date to be determined. The July meeting is July 12, 2015 at Victory Over Violence Conference in Louisville at the Galt House.

Meeting adjourned at 9:27 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by,
Sallye Pence, Secretary