

Teacher Center of Broome County

Date: 3/13/18
Meeting Minutes



Call to Order: Karen at 4:03 pm

<u>Debbie Sluzar</u> (BINGHAMTON)	<u>Tina Conklin</u> (CHENANGO VALLEY)	Pat Walsh (LEA)	<u>Karen Doolittle</u> (VESTAL)
Nicole Fenty (Binghamton University)	XX (DEPOSIT)	<u>Erin Hitchcock</u> (MAINE ENDWELL)	Pat Follette (WHITNEY POINT SUPERINTENDENT)
<u>Sharon Mannix</u> (BOCES)	Lori DeAngelo (DIRECTOR)	<u>Diana Simpson</u> (NON PUBLIC)	<u>Andrea Gresko</u> (SUSQUEHANNA VALLEY)
<u>Mike Sabo</u> (BUSINESS)	<u>Sharon Wells</u> (EARLY CHILDHOOD)	XX (PARENT)	<u>Emily Rose</u> (WINDSOR)
<u>Deb Daniels</u> (CHENANGO FORKS)	XX (HARPURSVILLE)	<u>Sarah Reid</u> (PUBLIC LIBRARY)	<u>Nadine Ferguson</u> (WHITNEY POINT)

Welcome to Emily Rose from Windsor

Excused: Tina Conklin (Chenango Valley)

Absent: Nicole Fenty, Mike Sabo, Nadine Ferguson
No representative for: Deposit, Harpursville, Parent.

Previous Minutes Sharon/Sara. passed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: see above -- Emily Rose

CORRESPONDENCE: none

LEA REPORT: Status of FS10

Budget -- same as what we saw last month. Some paperwork has been sent to Teacher Centers regarding what needs to be included (ie. FS-10). Everything is being looked at closely. Ours seems to be in good shape. Regarding travel questions and if scholarships could come from there -- we can take money from there, but it was recommended that teacher scholarships be listed as a separate line for next year. Agenda -- we should add a line for quorum check.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Spring Symposium -- Lori was the only one from this region due to weather. Felt she learned a lot as a new director, able to network with other directors, gained knowledge about what next three months hold in terms of budgeting and applying for the grant. Able to meet other people to reach out to.

Study groups -- Lori contacted groups who have not submitted few attendance sheets yet (1 group has not sent anything). Suggested to send an email to leaders that end date is 3/26 and everything is due by then.

Workshops -- a couple have been held, a couple have been cancelled due to not enough attendees. Meeting with math professor from BU tomorrow to talk about potential workshops (workshops may not be able to take place until next year because of timing).

COMMITTEE REPORTS: none

Policy Board Agenda

OLD BUSINESS: Status of conference Applications

Conference scholarship applications -- 5 applications have been received. Amounts varied: \$200, \$250, \$500 (registration fee). In past, we've had a committee to discuss this. Can't do any that are over the summer, and a few have already taken place. This is a reimbursement grant, so it's okay that they've already taken place. When rejecting the two summer conferences, tell them they can submit them next year, if we offer the grant again. We really can't do any that are between the end of May and July 1st -- they need to be covered within that fiscal year. Motion to approve up to \$250 reimbursement for registration fee, and the grantee needs to submit documentation showing they paid for it themselves (not paid by district) -- Shannon/Debbie. Passed. [Reminder than in the future we may want to have attendee write something after the conference or be willing to present on the topic, but not being paid to present].

Book Incentive -- Lori gathered the lists sent to her and has been putting them into a master list. Cheri came and helped put it into a Google Form, but it's not finished yet -- many titles need to be added, some duplications, descriptions need to be cleaned up. Suggestion -- what age is it targeted to? Received maybe 30 titles from Policy Board members. Would like to have that list of 30 narrowed down before sending it out to teachers. Sharon and Pat W. recommend mid-April, and we hope to know if the FS-10A has been approved by then.

Lori will email us the list of books before then. Lori will be meeting again with Cheri this week.

We will email Lori our top 3 choices for her to tally -- Lori will tell us when she wants our votes by

An announcement on Mon. 4/9 that it will be opening, then send survey to to teachers on Wed. 4/11 (open from 3 pm Wednesday to 3 pm Thursday).

Policy Board meets 4/17 and will have the update as to how many have come in.

Problem -- TCupdate has not been working. Pat -- the problem has been corrected. Lori should now be able to send out emails.

Suggestion -- TC has purchased copies of the selected books in the past. Might consider this.

NEW BUSINESS: Forward thinking about purchasing

Book incentive will come from this. Need to seriously talk about this in April. Lori and Pat can give us an idea of consumables. Look at Scott's suggestions from our last meeting. Diana -- there are some consumables we know we need all the time, like color ink and lamination. This paperwork could be done before the next meeting so that it can be sent to BOCES right after the next meeting-- we have access to last year's ordering information (but we need more lamination than this past year). Karen -- would like to look into Virtual Reality. This is pricy, and we would need to talk to Scott about this. He is busy, so would need to be contacted soon -- Karen will contact him. Another solid option is an interactive TV, with the ability to cast from people's devices. Pat -- suggested to buy iPads that people can borrow (we've allowed people to borrow 10 -- but this number may have been lost over the past few years). Karen -- how many/which districts are using iPads, because some are going more to Chromebooks. Pat -- another idea is office furniture, because we may not have the money in the future to do this (flexible seating). Furniture committee -- Diana and anyone else who is interested -- Emily, Debbie, Erin, Lori. meet 3/20 around 3:30.

Diana asked Lori -- any idea about direction of TC grant for next year? Meaning, was there anything alluded to about the subject focus? Science and arts.

OPEN FORUM: none

ADJOURNMENT: Sharon/Sarah. 5:34 pm.

Future meetings dates: April 17, 2018

Sept 12, 2017	Oct 10, 2017	Nov 14, 2017	Dec 12, 2017	Jan 16, 2018
Feb 13, 2018	Mar 13, 2018	Apr 17, 2018	May 8, 2018	June 5, 2018

