

NJASC Meeting - Collingswood High School Minutes for Friday, September 15, 2006

Call to Order

President Tiffany Peng called the fourth meeting of the New Jersey Association of Student Councils 2006-2007 Executive Board to order at 9:49 am on Friday, September 15, 2006.

Review of Minutes

Secretary Carly Lagrotteria read the minutes. Treasurer David Lee moved to accept the minutes and Middle Level Representative Brian Sumner seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Financial Report

There was no financial information to be reported because the treasury is in the process of consolidating funds.

Correspondence

President Tiffany Peng and Vice-President Brittany Petrella were contacted by delegates who discussed the enjoyable experience they had at LTC. Leadership Training Camp Educational Coordinator Pam Freund thanked the Executive Board for their timely finish of tallying the evaluations at LTC.

Committee Reports

Vice-President

Vice-President Brittany Petrella discussed changes to be made on the State Officer election forms. She also talked about making it a requirement for the President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer to have gone to Leadership Training Camp. This would have to be added to the Constitution and the process to do that was discussed. For the next meeting, Vice-President Brittany Petrella asked the other Executive Members to start thinking of interview questions for the December interview meeting with the State Officer candidates

State Board of Education Report

State Board of Education Representative John Blakeslee reported on New Jersey's ranking in the No Child Left Behind Standards and the expertise of New Jersey teachers. He also discussed the Board of Education elections results. Dr. Arnold Hyndman was elected President and Arcilio Apotante was elected Vice President. State Board of Education Representative John Blakeslee also talked about the State Board's discussions concerning a new policy on the State Board of Education Representative.

Charity

Executive Member Kyle Gardner reported that Tina of the Little Rock Foundation was given a list of all the member schools in order to further involve the schools with the charity. Executive Member Justin Halpern is working to include more about the charity in the Review.

Special Projects

Executive Member Jessica Peterson reported that the Standard of Excellence forms were missing a portion concerning the activities and some changes were made on the forms. The point system, however, remained the same. The new deadline for the registration is Wednesday, November 22nd.

Review

Executive Member Justin Halpern started the draft for the new issue. In this Review, there will be information on Nationals, LTC, and the dates of next year's LTC. There will also be information on elections, although the process would have already begun when the Review will be released. Executive Member Justin Halpern will include a "Meet Lou Miller" section.

Middle Level Report

Middle Level Representative Brian Sumner discussed some changes to the Honor School forms. An agenda from the schools will now be required along with minutes. There will also be a tie in to the website and LTC from the questionnaire.

Top Ten Projects

Treasurer David Lee discussed changes to be made to the Top Ten Projects questionnaire. There was much discussion about the creation of a rubric. One will be drawn up for this year and released next year.

Treasurer David Lee moved to take a recess at 10:55am. Vice-President Brittany Petrella seconded the motion. Motion passed. The NJASC Executive Board reconvened at 11:09am.

Advisor's Report

NJASC Advisor Lou Miller discussed the open forums on the website. The new procedure will be that one does not need to be a member to see the comments, but he/she needs to be a member to make a comment.

Old Business

Great Adventure

The Spring Conference at Six Flags went well.

Nationals

NJASC Advisor Lou Miller reported that not all the Nationals pictures were put online because release forms are still needed.

LTC 2006

There were a total of 330 people who attended LTC this year.

New Business

Fall Business Meeting - October 23, 2006

Schedule – After the general assembly, those running for State Office, those considering Standard of Excellence, and the Advisors getting Professional Development hours will leave. All other students will remain to watch the Little Rock presentation with Rocco. There will be no scheduled lunch time.

Speaker - The speaker will be Mr. Phil. Advisors will be able to get Professional Development hours from a session with Mr. Phil.

T-shirts – The NJASC Executive Board will be selling the tee shirts from Nationals and LTC at the Fall Business Meeting.

Opening – Vice President Brittany Petrella and Secretary Carly Lagrotteria will be making new signs for the keynote address. The NJASC Executive Board will practice their keynote from LTC to give at the Fall Business Meeting at the Howard Johnson the night before.

Howard Johnson – The night before the Fall Business Meeting, the NJASC Executive Board will meet at the Howard Johnson in Lawrenceville in order to prepare for the Meeting.

The NJASC Executive Board moved into closed session at 11:45am in order to vote for Administrator of the Year. Executive Member Kyle Gardner and Middle Level Representative Brian Sumner did not take part in the discussion or vote because administrators from their schools were nominated. The meeting reconvened at 12:01pm.

Administrator of the Year – This year's Administrator of the Year is Principal James Mullevey of Marlboro High School.

Forms – The NJASC Executive Board made corrections to the forms in the Fall Business Meeting packet. Executive Member Kyle Gardner motioned to accept the forms with the new revisions. Executive Member Jessica Peterson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

LTC 2007 – Leadership Training Camp will be moved to July onto a college campus. The full duration of the two sessions will run from a Tuesday to the Wednesday of the next week. The dates will most likely be July 10th through July 18th. The sleeping price per delegate will remain the same at the college campus, but the food will cost more than at Fairview Lakes. There will be committees to fundraise and to gain sponsorship, as well as committees to make the transition smooth

Adjournment

Middle Level Representative Brian Sumner motioned to adjourn the meeting. Treasurer David Lee seconded that motion. The fourth meeting of the 2006-2007 NJASC Executive Board was adjourned at 12:45 pm. The next meeting will be held on Friday, November 3, 2006 at Cherokee High School.