

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MCCPTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday, September 1, 2011 at Carver Education Services Center - Auditorium

ATTENDANCE:

Officers: Kristin Tribble, Laurie Halverson, Paul Morrison, Rebecca Smondrowski, Jaimie Jacobson and Debra Lang

Area Vice Presidents, Cluster Coordinators & Committee Chairs: Sandy Holloway, Steve Augustino, Ted Willard, Donna Pfeiffer, Jean Schlesinger, David Lechner, JoAnn Burl, Michelle Gluck, Antonio Hernandez-Cardoso, Suzanne Weiss, Priscilla Peterson, Lynne Harris, Chris McDermott, Mike Morper, Susan Squires, Mary Cobbett, Ricky Ford, Frances Frost, Melanie Twomey, Cheryl Moss Herman, Cheryl Peirce, Dawn Albert, Donna Lowell, Janet Sanchez, Jim Keenan, Patti Twigg, Virginia Twombly, Reva Gambrell, Martha Schaerr, Jennifer McDonald, Laurie Augustino, Kathy Lloyd and Carrie Bohrer.

Also In Attendance: Richard Yarrow.

OPENING BUSINESS:

Call to Order: At 7:30 pm the meeting began informally, as it was determined that a quorum was not present. All in attendance introduced themselves.

Officer Reports:

President:

President Kristin Tribble reviewed the calendar of upcoming events and the MCCPTA office hours. She reported that the only committee without a chair is Grading and Reporting. Kristin mentioned Dr. Starr's upcoming Listen and Learn sessions, and asked that Board Members RSVP for these events to Deb Lang so that we can ensure MCCPTA coverage at all evenings. She would like Board members to report back to the BOD eList after attending the Listen and Learns.

Treasurer:

Treasurer Jaimie Jacobson presented his proposed budget. He noted that the Executive Committee has requested a line item for Organizational Advocacy. He mentioned also that the audit should be available at the next BOD meeting in early October.

It was noted that quorum was reached at 7:45 pm.

The Committee moved to approve the proposed budget and to recommend it to the Delegates Assembly later in September, which motion passed.

Susan Squires, co-chair of the Technology Committee, moved to amend the proposed budget to include \$100 for the Technology Committee to use in furtherance of its goals, which was approved.

Jean Schlesinger, chair of the Operating Budget Committee moved to amend the proposed budget to increase the budget for the Operating Budget Committee from \$350 to \$600 in order to cover ICB fees, which was approved.

Carrie Bohrer was approved as Cluster Coordinator for the Gaithersburg Cluster. Cheryl Peirce was approved as Cluster Coordinator for the Richard Montgomery

Cluster. Scott Harper was approved as Cluster Coordinator for the Einstein Cluster.

President Tribble asked that members review the proposed agenda. Patti Twigg asked to add **MCCPTA By-Laws** under New Business, and to add **MDPTA Information** under New Business. The Agenda was then approved as amended.

President Tribble moved to approve the draft minutes from the June 2, 2011 meeting.

After discussion, Laurie Halverson moved to table the approval of the minutes until next month, which motion was seconded and passed.

President Tribble asked that everyone to review the committee work plans contained in their packets. Donna Pfeiffer moved to approve the work plans, which was seconded and passed.

Committee Reports:

Operating Budget: Committee Chair Jean Schlesinger presented the committee's Operating Budget Priorities. After discussion, Frances Frost moved to delete "or Security Resource Officers (SRO)" from the third item listed as a priority in the Operating Budget Priorities document, which was seconded, but did not pass.

The Committee moved to recommend the Operating Budget Priorities document to the Delegates Assembly in September for their consideration and approval, which motion passed.

Jean presented the committee's Operating Budget Compact and moved to recommend the Operating Budget Compact document to the Delegates Assembly in September for their consideration and approval, which motion passed.

CIP - Committee Chair Steve Augustino explained that while he and President Tribble would be representing all PTAs when they attend the upcoming CIP briefings with Dr. Starr, the substance of those presentations will be held confidential. Any information that locals would want at the table should be conveyed to Steve as soon as possible. He also reviewed the significant dates upcoming for CIP issues, which will be circulated on the BOD eList as well.

Steve discussed two resolutions that his committee is drafting and will be presenting to the Delegates Assembly later in September, one regarding Site Selection, and one regarding Co-location.

Steve presented the draft Resolution on the FY 2013 Capital Improvement Program Budget and the FY 2013-18 CIP for BOD members to review and asked that people email him any thoughts/reactions.

Training – Committee Chair Suzanne Weiss reminded all that MCCPTA's Fall Training would be held on Saturday, Sept 24th from 9 – 2:30 at Walter Johnson High School. The format will be slightly changed in order to improve interactions and facilitate discussions, and the registration procedure will move to an online system in order to make check-in on that day happen much more smoothly.

Cultural Arts – Committee Chair Priscilla Peterson reported that the showcases would take place from Sept 14th through October 12th, and that all are welcome! She also asked that all local arts chairs please be reminded about the Cultural Arts eList and encouraged to subscribe.

Reflections – Committee Chair Chris McDonald introduced the PTA sponsored Arts Competition, and asked that all locals please be reminded about the Reflections eList and encouraged to subscribe.

Ted Willard moved to increase the Health and Safety Committee's budget in the proposed 2011-2012 budget for MCCPTA from \$100 to \$300, which was seconded and passed.

Programs for the Delegates Assemblies – Vice President of Programs, Rebecca Smondrowski, announced that there will be a panel presentation with lots of time for Q&A on growth issues prior to the September DA meeting. She also moved that the Board of Directors purchase MCCPTA T-Shirts for each BOD Member for \$5 each, which motion was seconded but did not pass.

Standing Rules – Committee Chair, Sandy Holloway, presented the committee's drafts of two new Standing Rules, one covering the Delegates Assembly, and one covering Procedures for Resolutions.

Laurie Augustino suggested that Delegate Cards be issued on Sept. 1st (instead of the traditional Nov 1st date of issuance).

Patti Twigg suggested that resolutions should not have to go through committee in order to bring them before the Delegates Assembly.

Sandy asked that any further suggestions/comments be emailed to her to facilitate further committee review.

New Business:

Realignment of MCCPTA Areas: –President Tribble pointed out that MCPS restructured its Area supervision, in order to reduce the number of Community Superintendents, causing Poolesville to join the Richard Montgomery cluster, and Clarksburg to join the Northwest cluster. After discussion, the Board will be recommending to the Delegates Assembly in September that MCCPTA also realign their Areas and cluster to match those of MCPS. Kristin also assessed that there was interest among the Board for Dr. Stetson to come meet with interested Board Members prior to the October BOD meeting and discuss split area articulation and the recent MCPS realignment.

Permissions Request For Use of MCCPTA Curriculum Committee Work Plan:

Ted Willard, chair of the Curriculum Committee, moved that the Board approve a request by Walden University to use the 2010-2011 Curriculum Committee Work Plan in a course that they will be offering, which was seconded and approved. Michelle Gluck cautioned that the necessary copyright notification be included in what they are given to share.

MCCPTA Bylaws – Patti Twigg explained that the MCCPTA By-Laws Amendment was rejected by MD PTA because the word "consortium" was not defined. In addition, they were concerned that it was not clear that there was a limit of three cluster coordinators per cluster. President Tribble asked that Patti assist the By-Laws Committee with rewording the Amendment in order to respond to MD PTA's objection and concern.

MD PTA Information: - Patti Twigg shared the following information from MDPTA:

1 - local PTAs can no longer get the By Laws template online when for completing and sending in for approval. The form which must be used must come directly from MD PTA. One was included in the box sent directly to all PTAs.

2 – local PTAs must now meet the Standards of Continuing Affiliation (SOCA)

requirements by February 1st in order to participate in the Reflections Arts competition.

3 – local PTA's audits are due to MD PTA by November 1st.

Cluster Reports:

Cheryl Peirce reported that Twinbrook Elementary was offered \$150,000 from a developer if an exception to the Rockville building moratorium were secured and another new school were to be built. The leadership of the PTA sought counsel from National and MD PTA and are quite concerned about ramifications of the offer even having been made.

President Kristin Tribble adjourned the meeting at 10:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Debra Lang, Recording Secretary BOD