

ACCESS Board Minutes
Board Meeting at Anaheim, CA
NAEYC Conference
November 2, 2010
6:00 p.m.

Present: Mary Garguile, Carrie Nepstad, Elisa Huss-Hage, Nancy Beaver, Crystal Swank, Debra Murphy, Kim Horejs, Cheryl Bulat, Judy Sherwood, Susan Wyatt, and Trude Puckett

Absent: Polly Parker, Nancy Gabriel, Marcia Rystak, Joan Klinkner, Joyce Nelson, Kathy Allen, and Pam Briggs

The meeting was called to order by Mary Garguile, president. She thanked everyone for attending and expressed her thanks for the work the board has done during her presidency. As she is handing the office over to Carrie on January 1, she is in hopes there will be meaningful work for her to do as she becomes past president.

Topic: Minutes

Discussion: The vote to approve the minutes of the September conference call was delayed until the December meeting. Carrie sent her notes via email from that meeting.

Elisa made the motion for the minutes of the October meeting be approved. Crystal seconded and they were approved.

Topic: State Affiliate Representatives

Discussion: Illinois – Cheryl reported there were 23 members present during their last meeting. The focus of the discussion was the AAT degree and the challenges 2 year colleges face in the state. There is a desire to create more professional development for the 2 and 4 year universities within the state.

Pennsylvania – Judy Sherwood reported 12-14 members for their last meeting. There are new standards in the state and articulation is going well.

Wisconsin- They will meet next week and Carrie is going to speak.

Texas – They met in October during the TAEYC meeting. Kara, from Cengage, was there. They established scholarship criteria and donations were made in honor of Susan Wyatt who won the PIPER award.

Topic: President's report

Discussion: There is an opportunity for new members to also have access to the NAECTE journals (4 issues) for an annual fee of \$40.00. Since our membership dues are now \$60.00, the total cost would be \$100.00.

The election and by-laws vote – Chris Lincoln was elected as Treasurer, and Nancy Gabriel as the Vice-President for State Affiliates. The changes to the by-laws were approved as well.

The executive board will meet with the NAECTE board on Thursday, November 4, at the Marriott Hotel at 8:00 a.m. to further discuss the formation of an alliance with them. Mary will ask for a sharing of their membership list to provide other means of collaboration.

We will be presenting our first ACCESS awards during the reception on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. The recipients will be Camille Catlatt, Alison Lutton, and Debra Murphy.

Topic: Treasurer's report

Discussion: Presentation was made to Elisa for her work during the two terms she has served as treasurer. The professional example she has set for the position is greatly appreciated by all.

Christina Lincoln from Northampton Community College will become the new treasurer in January. Elisa will work with her to provide a smooth transition.

Topic: President Elect's report and Vice President of Professional Development:

Discussion: Carrie and Debra have completed the plans for the PDI sessions. The proposals are due on November 19th and will be on the topics of assessment and accreditation. There will not be a joint meeting with NAECTE during PDI but the boards will meet. The new NAEYC accreditation standards have been approved and will go into place in January, 2011.

Topic: Vice President of Collaboration's report and Vice President of Professional Development:

Discussion: Thank you Nancy for locating a place for our board meeting. Cengage will contribute a portion of the funds for our lunch. Kara will speak prior to our lunch and the round table discussions.

Topic: Vice President of Communication:

Discussion: Crystal is continuing to work toward the development of the new website. She requested that all information and articles for the newsletter be sent to her promptly. She will send a reminder.

Topic: Membership:

Discussion: Our current membership is 246. A smoother procedure for maintaining an accurate membership list needs to be developed. ACCESS pays a person to keep the membership list current. We need to decide who this person will be located near, the president, the treasurer, or the vice president of membership. A header on the list needs to be added so the most current list is easily identified.

Topic: Mini-grants

Discussion: Susan announced a new mini-grant recipient: Sherry Fairfield Tagle from Muskegan Community College in Michigan. When an application is ready for approval, Susan will send an email to the Executive committee for approval of the applicant by a specific date.

Next Meeting:

The next bi-monthly meeting of the full board will be December 2, 2010 at 12:30 Pacific/3:30 Eastern standard time.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Trude Puckett