

Arkansas CEC Board of Directors' Meeting

February 12, 2013

Attendees

Jon Rainbolt, President

DeeDee Cain, Past President

Stephanie Lawrence, Vice President

Patty Kohler, Secretary

Courtney Williams, Elected Rep to Rep Assembly

RoseMerry Kirkpatrick, Historian

Leslie Rush, SCEC Advisor

Stephanie Heidelberg, Appointed Rep to Rep Assembly

Mary Pearson, CAN Rep

- I. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 10:00. A quorum was established.
- II. **Minutes of November 6 and 8, 2012 Board Meeting:** Stephanie H moved and Stephanie L seconded that the minutes be approved as posted on the ARCEC website. Motion carried. Jon asked that Board approve changing the agenda to allow Mary Pearson to report first, then to move to an action item regarding CEC National Conference in San Antonio. DeeDee moved and Patty seconded for this to occur. Motion carried.
- III. **CAN Report, Mary Pearson:** Mary shared that there was not much action at the federal level, but there was much concern about funding. She expressed interest in going to the CAN training in June. Courtney moved and Stephanie L seconded that Mary be allocated the funds to go to the CAN training. Motion carried. Patty made a friendly amendment that Mary receive trip funds up front and submit documentation after the trip for expenditures. Stephanie L seconded the motion; motion passed.
- IV. **New Business:**
 - A. **Conference San Antonio:** Mary indicated that she is presenting at CEC in San Antonio. Courtney and Stephanie H are also slated to go to the conference. \$3000 are allocated for the Reps. Stephanie H can't go, so Mary was appointed as alternate to go in her place. Patty moved and RoseMerry seconded to give Leslie \$1100 to offset her expenses. Motion carried. Patty moved and DeeDee seconded that Jon be allocated funds to attend CEC. Motion carried. Patty moved and Stephanie H seconded that RoseMerry be allocated funds to attend CEC. Motion carried. Patty moved and Stephanie L. moved seconded that each individual going to CEC may request any

amount up to the total of \$3000 up front with documentation to be provided to the treasurer after the conference. Motion carried.

B. Ad Hoc Committee Recommendation: See statement drafted by RoseMerry.

C. Conference Stephanie L.: After discussing the possible hiring of a conference planner, Courtney moved that up to \$5000 be allotted for Stephanie L and her committee to work with a professional planner for the conference. Stephanie H seconded. Motion carried.

V. Old Business: Jon reported on the November conference. ARCEC may have made about \$1800. See report. There were numerous challenges faced by the board, including last minute planning, economic climate, and competition, to name a few. Jon reported on a negative email received from one presenter. There were also many positive comments: two options for many sessions, make and take presentations, Walking in My Shoes panel, new applications in technology. Board members were asked to send Stephanie L. recommendations for the upcoming conference. One suggestion was the Jones Center at U of Ozarks. Jon urged members to be careful with room reservations. He reported that 425 attended the conference. He has left over bags, tablets, and around 175 binders. Firelight usually donates needed bags. He also indicated that door prizes helped draw individuals to the exhibit hall. Another topic discussed-establishing national conference participants in November. Leslie asked how much SCEC made for the Doug Little presentation. The amount was around \$7700 after expenses.

VI. Officer Reports:

A. Courtney-no report.

B. Leslie-SCEC has new officers, and all are from UCA. Karley Stoll is president, and two students will be attending national conference.

C. Stephanie H-no report.

D. Patty-no report.

E. RoseMerry-wants time after the meeting to work on the archives.

F. DeeDee-there are nominations for each elected job, and all are current CEC members. Board training will be conducted in Heber Springs at the retreat. She asked Jon to appoint an Awards chair, and Jon appointed Leslie to serve out the remaining term. Leslie agreed to run for office if needed.

VII. Adjourn: The next meeting will be at the Red Apple Inn on June 12-13, 2013. The meeting was adjourned at 12:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Kohler, Secretary