

Indiana Council for Exceptional Children

Purpose of Meeting: monthly meeting of officers

Date: Saturday, November 7, 2009

Time: convened to order at 10:07 a. m. E. S. T.

Members present: Marcia Piercy; Shelia Trzcinka; Jamie Grskovic; George Van Horn; and Jerry McKim

1. Approval of the minutes  
The minutes from the last meeting were not available for approval.
2. Treasurer's report  
There was no report from the treasure submitted at this meeting.
3. Membership report  
There was no report submitted.
4. CAN report  
Marcia yielded to George who spoke about the recent public hearing by the State Advisory Board on REPA. George Van Horn is a member of the board. George spoke of the need for all stakeholders to make their voices heard to the State Advisory Board. He emphasized it is quite apparent that this board is primarily composed of individuals supportive the REPA. George went on to say it equally apparent at the meeting there are many education related organizations opposed to REPA. George specifically addressed his sub-committee on reciprocity has informed the entire board of issues, and perhaps the unlawfulness of the proposals, related to reciprocity agreements between states. George went on to comment on Superintendent Bennett's intent to expedite the board's vote on REPA at the November 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. The superintendent will seek to have entire sections of REPA approved without considerations of objectionable parts within each section. George indicated he has yet to receive an agenda for the meeting. Marcia, indicated that ISTA has too expressed grave concerns over the expediency with which the board and Bennett have attempted to finalize REPA. Marcia went on to state Addie's information on REPA would be sent to membership.
5. Shelia spoke on their Student Chapter's activities inclusive of the Dogs in the Classroom program and the need for the chapter to work toward fundraising enabling the chapter to send more students to the CEC Conference at Nashville in April. Shelia also mentioned the success the chapter has had with fundraising through candy sales.

Marcia indicated she would like for Shelia to submit a list of IUN student members to formally acknowledge their participation in INCEC as a student chapter.

Marcia queried the need for INCEC to have information regarding the procedures leading to creation of a new student chapter.

Shelia indicated she would be submitting to INCEC information from Chris Grissom regarding the procedures for creating CEC Student Chapters.

6. Marcia introduced the need for participation in the Cultural Diversity Conference to be held March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Marcia proposed INCEC give consideration to some level of financial support for the conference sponsored by IUN and Purdue Calumet. It was agreed Janice, Rita, and Shelia would submit an information flyer to circulate to INCEC membership prior to entertaining financial support. George further commented on the need for IUN-Purdue Cal. submit a formal request for financial assistance to INCEC prior to the taking of any vote for support.
7. Marcia raised the need for INCEC to sponsor both the Delegate Representative and the INCEC President. It was agreed to discuss this further at next month's meeting. At that meeting, Marcia will present solid figures pertaining to the expenses INCEC would incur to sponsor both state positions.
8. Marcia submitted a motion for our next INCEC meeting to be Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a. m. E. S. T. George second the motion. It was unanimously approved.
9. Good of the Order  
Janice submitted INCEC needs to be proactive in avoiding the poor participation in our state conference.  
Marcia said we need to do needs assessment with our membership to ascertain what their interests and preferences are related to the state conference content. Shelia and Janice both agreed there needs to be some information gathering prior to beginning any planning for the next state conference.  
Shelia and Janice also announced there will be conference at Lisle, Illinois on February 5<sup>th</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> sponsored by the Illinois CEC. The conference will address behavioral disorders and members of INCEC are encouraged to seek additional information if interested.  
Marcia raised concerns about the need to raise dues. The dues are currently \$5. This will be a consideration for INCEC in the near future.
10. Marcia requested a motion for adjournment and received it from Jerry. The motion was second by George and unanimously approved.

The meeting ended at 11:07 a. m. E. S. T.