

GCTE Executive Board Meeting

Date: June 19, 2010

Members Present: Kathleen McKenzie, Diana Poore, Brenda Logan, Carolyn Coleman, Merrill Davies, Dawn Kirby, Gerald Boyd, Anna Nero, Julie Rucker, Jim Cope, Tom Liner

Agenda:

Call to order: Meeting called to order by Kathleen McKenzie at 10:20 a.m..

Minutes of last board meeting

Motion to accept the minute was made by Jim Cope. Motion seconded by Cassandra. The minutes were accepted unanimously.

Treasurers Report:

See treasurers report. We are in much better shape at over \$10,422.31. Income from membership was \$4000. We made almost \$10,000 in profit from the conference. Total assets are \$54587.62. We are now tax exempt. If you have any bills, please send to Gerald ASAP. He will close the budget out at the end of June for this fiscal year. We have a commitment for the wine and cheese party for next year's conference.

Jim moved that we accept the treasurer's report, Dawn seconded. The budget was unanimously accepted

Director's Reports:

Director 1 (Diversity): Jim Hill

No report

Director 2 (Publications): Jean Copland

The next deadline is Jun 30, 2010. Please mail to both Gerald and Jean. Next issue will be out in August or September. Information was sent for the affiliate awards.

Director 3 (Membership): Patti McWhorter

We have dropped around 50 people in membership. We may not qualify for the membership award.

Director 4: Alan Perry

We will be holding the meeting at Callaway Gardens for 2011. Jekyll Island Inn is contacting Alan for the 2013 Conference. Alan bought a Dell laptop and he will need to buy a printer and a thumb drive. Email suggestions for speakers for the conference. The conference fee will be \$110. Diana contact Scholastic about speaker.

Director 5 (Teacher/School Awards): Brenda Logan

Dana Huff was selected by the board to be our nominee for the NCTE Secondary Section Teacher of Excellence Award which will be given during the Secondary Section luncheon at the annual NCTE Convention. Please consider offering monetary support to Dana as she attends this convention and will receive this award. Julie made motion that we provide Dana \$500 for conference. Dawn seconded. It was passed unanimously that Dana be provided \$500 for the conference.

Director 6 (Journals): Nancy Remler and Merrill Davis

Mindscape has a new look. The price for printing was less. We had more high schools submitting this year. We had few middle and elementary schools that submitted.. Approximately 25 students' works were published. We receive around 125 submissions in total.

See Nancy's report. She would like to step down as editor.

The following authors will be possibly interviewed for an article in the journal: Carmen Deedy, Mary Kay Andrews, Joshilyn Jackson, Aaron Levy, Pat Conroy, Terry Kay, or Tony Grooms. Please email Nancy about possible questions for authors.

Director 7 (Technology): Jim Cope

If you order from Amazon and enter from GCTE and we will receive money from Amazon. Jim is working with new pictures for the site. We need to spice up the site a little. Jim asked if anyone was interested in helping with this endeavor. We have approximately 1200-1500 hits per month.

Director 8 (College Relationships): Dawn Kirby

We had several people apply for Ellis Award. KSU needs some liaisons with area school districts concerning technology and the blocking of sites.

NCTE Liaison Report: Merrill Davies

Merrill needs to send a director's list. The website list also needs to be updated.

GLAS / State Dept. Report:

She will write an article about Slate for the journal. One of the big censorship issues is how schools lock down websites. Students who do not have computers are being hurt by this. We may want article from Julie Rucker concerning Dawn will write an article about the KWP concerning censorship.

SLATE Report:

Historian's Report: Carolyn Coleman

We need to get a scrapbook together for NCTE 100th year.

Public Relations Chair: Kim Knight

Contact Jim Dail for an article for KMWP. We need to get information out concerning GCTE to the Writing Project locations. We may want to look at a monetary amount of the benefits of GCTE.

Georgia Writing Project Liaison: Alisa Daniel

No report. There is no money for the Writing Projects for next year.

NCTE Promising Young Writers Chair: Anna Nero

Anna had submissions from three schools. Next year she will push for more.

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Old Business**Stationary**

Thank Gerald for having West Hall print our new stationary for GCTE.

Carolyn Waters

She will be asked member of our board. She was out of town this weekend. She will be the GLASS Rep.

Mary Stout

Kathleen will contact her about being on the board or doing a session.

Membership List

Kathleen passed around the membership list.

Political Presence

Michael Moore submitted articles about GA Bill 386. Gerald said GA Bill 386 was pulled this year. This bill will probably come up again next year. The state is working with colleges on Class Keys.

Shout

See report. We will move forward on a Shout 2011. A shout link has been added to the website and a gmail account for receiving submissions for communication among editors and judges.

Jean has received quotes for the printing.

Geri Davis will be doing the art for Shout and John Knight will be the production editor. Jean would like judges from our board. We also need a publicity chair person. In this printing we need a table of contents and index. The issue probably would include at least 200 pages.

Tom Liner will be in touch about judging and will send criteria. You can send in 3 entries of any kind.

This is the 100th year birthday for NCTE. We would like an honor roll of teachers involved in GCTE to be submitted to NCTE.

The question was asked if there has been any follow-up from NCTE for Atlanta NCTE Conference. We have not received any correspondence regarding the conference in Atlanta.

New Business:

NCTE Affiliate Award

Jim and Kathleen went over this pending information from Millie. We may need to do some extra things to still qualify for this award. NCTE does not have sponsorship for the Leadership Award. Erin Boyd motion was made. Jim seconded. Unanimously passed. Please send information to Kathleen about the awards.

Strategic Plan

NCTE needs to be contacted for members from Georgia to compare to our GCTE lists. Alan will request NCTE materials for conference.

GCTE needs a liaison for new and retired teachers for a new support program. We could have a meet and greet at the conference for retired and new teachers.

Changes to our Strategic Plan

Step B -4

Replace system of renewals to once a year at the February Conference.

Step D

Create a position on the board as the Liaison for New and Retired Teachers with sub-directors in the five regions of the state.

III, A. Writing Project Strand at the annual conference – new five or six speakers for strand

6. Offer strands in Reading, Writing, and 21st Century Initiatives

Objective 2:

3. Establish a phone tree to update email when email addresses become outdated.

Objective 4:

1. Personal letters to leaders encouraging them to send 2-3 teachers to the conference each year to provide current research-based strategies for teachers that can be re-delivered.
2. Send letters to principals and systems who present at the conference.

Alan will send letter for appreciation to principals and systems.

Brenda made a motion to offer free registration to teachers if they are able to 20 new members to join. This was seconded by Anna. Two nays and one abstention, thirteen 13 yeas were recorded. The motion passed. This information will be placed in Scribbles.

Literary Map

We will be out of maps very soon. Please keep this in mind if we want to sell our maps again. We may want to ask PAGE to sponsor to sponsor this endeavor

NCTE will be in Orlando

Kathleen and Merrill will be funded to go to the Conference.

Jim moved that we accept the strategic plan with \$1000 for the new and retired teacher initiative.

Motion made by Julie to accept the strategic plan. Dawn seconded.

It was passed unanimously.

Next meeting will be held on October 16.

Minutes respectfully submitted.

Diana Poore