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Minutes Policy Board Meeting May 22, 2023

Call to order

Vicki Washburn, Vice-Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 4:15 pm.

2. Approval of Minutes

✓ Motion to accept the minutes from March 2023 – B. LeClair and second J. Stapley Motion carried, unanimous.

3. Fiscal Report

Denise submitted a monthly report of the current status of NCTRC

✓ Motion to accept the fiscal report dated May 22, 2023 – A. Waldron and second J. Stapley Motion carried, unanimous.

4. Reports and Communications

Director's report attached

New Business

Vote to ratify the bylaw changes proposed at the March 2023 policy board meeting. All in favor, Unanimous

The Director passed out the 2023-2024 FS10 budget proposal and discussed each section. The budget connected with the Continuation Application and is the same amount as the 2022-2023 school year.

 Motion to accept the proposed Budget (FS10) and Continuation Application as presented for the 2023-2024 school year, B. LeClair and second A. Waldron- Motion carried, Unanimous

The Center has had a work study student, Grace Jolicoeur, since February. Her time has ended since the college does not pay over summer semester, but she is local and the Director thought it would benefit the center to keep her on for about the next 2 months. She could be paid as an independent contractor and would work 20 hours/week until August.

 Motion to allow Grace Jolicoeur to work during NCTRC summer hours May through the beginning of August at a rate of \$18/hour, C. McCarty and second H. Walsh. Motion carried, Unanimous

At the Policy Board Self-Study at the end of April, the attendees chose future meeting dates. As it turns out, one of the dates is the day the Director will be out of town at the Fall Focus meeting. We are changing the original October date of the 18th to the 4th. The potential change of meeting format (4 half day meetings with early release days) was discussed. Some members are able to get their districts to agree, but we had some that weren't as supportive. After reviewing the survey filled out by policy board members, the conclusion was reached to continue the after school meeting time, but to change from Mondays to Wednesdays at 4:15 pm.

The Self-Study meeting also discussed a future Mentor Program. This program would consist of a small work group, which would be paid to set up and evaluate the program. Policy board members who are interested in participating can join that group. The program is funded for \$16,500 from the budget. The plan is to start small with 10 mentors and 10 mentees. Mentors will be paid for their services and matched with local new teachers. The Director will send out an email with some date choices for the first meeting (hopefully June).

There will be an AI Workshop on May 31 from Noon to 3 pm at the Teacher Center. At this point we have around 20 people attending the session. Please share the flyer with your teachers. CTLE Hours will be given.

NYSUT Update: Attached

Other:

Vicki let us all know that the local retiree council has awarded 2 \$1000 scholarships to local students who are interested in becoming educators. In the past, the council has gotten around a dozen applications. This year they received 25. That is encouraging.

Vicki thanked Denise (Director) for all her work and advocacy for the Teacher Centers.

The Director took an opportunity to thank Melody Trombley for her years of service as a policy board member. Melody is retiring in June, but intends on coming in to work for the Teacher Center in her spare time. We will miss her!

Review Timeline/Upcoming Events

NCTRC Monthly Meeting Dates 2023-2024

- o October 4, 2023
- o January 17, 2024
- o March 13, 2024
- o May 29, 2024
- ✓ Motion to adjourn, made by J. Stapley, at 5:04 p.m.; seconded B. Fregeau-Motion carried. unanimous

Next meeting will be October 4, 2024 starts at 4:15 p.m. @ NCTRC.

Attendance Records
May, 2023
Policy Board Meeting
Quorum Present

Present:

Cynthia McCarty Chairperson, SUNY Plattsburgh

April Myers-Lautenschuetz Parent representative
Jeanette Stapley Retired Teacher, Essex

Melody Trombley
Vicki Washburn
Northeastern Clinton Central School
Retired Teacher, Clinton County

Theresa Figoni Saranac Central School Bailey Fregeau LEA Representative

Jennifer Kowalcyzk Business Person, Mountain Lake PBS

Amanda Trombley

Bethany LeClair

Melissa Niquette

Northern Adirondack CSD

Plattsburgh City Schools

Bouquet Valley School

Jennifer Goodwin Beekmantown Heather Walsh Willsboro

Tammi Kreckel Moriah Central School

Angie Waldron CVES

Also Attending:

Denise Sypek NCTRC Director

Kaitlyn Jubert NCCS (Future Board Member)

Absent:

Catherine Butts Peru Central School
Laura Corey Schroon Lake CSD
Kyle Lang Ticonderoga CSD

Bonnie Gregware Retired Teacher, Clinton County

Kathleen Morse Keene CSD

Dan Liegel AuSable Valley Central School

Steven Patnode Chazy Central School

Minutes Submitted by Denise Sypek, Director 5/23/2023