

Representative Council Minutes, September 2, 2008

The council meeting was called to order at 3:37 PM.

A motion to approve the minutes of May 6, 2008, was made by Terry Vernor and Winston Parkinson second. The vote to approve was tabled until the election data sheet could be added to the minutes.

President's report, Gene Smith asked that members show up to the board meeting on September 3, 2008, to speak on the senior project.

There will be a rally on September 5, 2008, at 2:45 PM at the AVTA Office to help prevent education budget cuts. Members will assemble at the AVTA office and march to George and Sharon Runner's office at 4:00 pm.

Vice President Political, Gerald Fairman submitted his report on the NEA National conference in Washington D.C. (distributed to representatives). The 2009 NEA convention will be in San Diego. Gerald would like to see the Association send at least 2 members. We have one of the largest associations, yet we were unable to get enough votes cast to send our two candidates who ran in 2008.

Vice President Membership, Julie Agnew spoke on membership and distributed CTA pocket calendars to be put in the teacher boxes. Be sure to fill out physician designation sheet and return to the district office. Dave Weaver moved to spend up to \$10,000 on the next social. Ray Hart second. Motion passed. The proposed date for the social is October 14 at Vince's' Pizza.

Secretary, Christine Van Allen gave an up-date from state council on the voluntary dues check off that will fund the CTA Foundation and advocacy efforts and spoke on the changing membership of CTA. AVTA is now a member of District H due to redistricting.

Treasurer, Beatriz Stain Motion to renew the certificate of deposit with WAMU for 4 ½ % for 13 months on \$ 89,210.08 by Dave Weaver and Dr David Eiser second. Motion approved. Mike Otnisky moved to reimburse up to \$250 for transportation for the High Desert Conference in Las Vegas with Dan Shy second. Motion approved.

Motion to increase the mileage to 58.5 per mile for conferences within 60 miles by Gary Roberts and Dan Shy second. On trips over 60 miles Rep council will set a rate for reimbursement. Motion approved.

Motion to allocate money for the attorney fee for the defense of the retirees in an amount not to exceed \$4500 by Mike Otnisky, Dave Weaver second. Motion approved.

Bargaining Chair, Dan Shy, Bargaining committee will meet on September 16, 2008. They will look at enrollment figures and the audited actuals.

Grievance Chair, Gary Roberts Some members are volunteering their conference period to do administrative work as volunteer deans. This is illegal and against the contract. A motion to go to arbitration at a level 2 on this item was made by Sue Strom, Ed Campbell second. Motion approved. Gary Roberts discussed senior project and the misinformation regarding this project.

Motion to approve the May 6, 2008, minutes with the election results attachment was now approved.

Mike Otnisky moved to adjourn. Ray Hart second at 5:07 PM.