

Minutes – 12/3/2013

Present: John Arcese, Peter Bellanti, Dana Besch, Michael Capuana, Paul Cary, Lynne Crawford, Elizabeth Dunne, Sue Ellis, Lynn Fisher, Susan Frey, Lisa Graves, Greg Heer, Cheryl Keller, Nancy Lalley, Kristin Overholt, Judi Roberson, Meri Tomasulo-Pello

Absent: Joseph Borgisi, Deb Cary, Jen Cordon, David Hall, Nicole Roberson

Dana Besch called the meeting to order at 12:41 pm.

Minutes: Dana Besch called for a motion to accept the 10/3/2013 minutes. Nancy Lalley made the motion to accept, 2nd by Lynn Fisher. Motion carried.

Budget Report: Peter Bellanti – 952 Budget – Monies collected for courses from July 1, 2013 thru November 14, 2013 \$20,113.50 monies carried over from 2012-2013 year \$85,883.92 which would make a grand total of \$105,997.42 less approximately \$15,000.00 in expenses. 862 (Grant) monies \$36,180.00. .

Directors Report

The discussion with the Far West members on the open house will be brought up at the Far West meeting on December 10, 2013. There is talk of canceling this particular event. Far West members will be concentrating on the Regional network grant and how the monies will be used.

State News – Spring Symposium is in the planning stage. No date scheduled yet but this symposium will be definitely running.

Old Business

Fall Course Update – Since there are a couple of courses running in December breakdown of the fall courses will be presented at the February meeting.

New Business

Regional Course Evaluation Form – This form is part of the grant evaluation piece. This form will be regionalized so all centers will be using the same form. This will help with the monthly update to Gail Moon and it will also contain the information the state will need at year end. This form will be put into use starting with the spring courses.

2014 Winter/Spring Course Proposals – 53 courses have been proposed. 18 of these being new courses. After careful review a motion was made by Paul Carey to accept the class listing with the exception of 3, 2nd by Lynn Fisher all in favor. Peter will discuss concerns brought forward by board members with the individuals teaching the classes, answers will be brought back to the policy board members at the next meeting.

Teaching is the Core - Far West Teacher Center Network is looking for teachers interested in becoming trainers to prepare teachers for successful implementation of the CCLS in order to positively impact student growth and achievement. Classes to train the trainers will begin January 9, 2014 which will be a mandatory conference and subsequent training will run thru May 2014. Trainers need to be committed to the program and all teaching sessions, they will implement turnkey training of teachers in their local teacher centers, collaboration sessions with other trainers and participation in online professional learning to collaborate and share with others across the region. Classes to start March 2014.

Next Meeting: February 6, 2014
Lancaster – District Office Board Room
8:30 AM