



**Board of Directors Meeting
MINUTES
May 4, 2013, 10:00 A.M. (EST)
Cathedral High School, Indianapolis**

In attendance: Darlene Lankenau, Gary Spurgin, Randa Duvick, Nancy Tilka, Pauline Yang, Allen Kidd, Israel Herrera, Jody Bergman, Mercedes Muniz-Peredo, Dee Webster, Laura Wilson, and Olga Mounayar.

I. Call to Order (Introductions)

Darlene called the meeting to order at 10:21am

II. Secretary's Report: Olga Mounayar

Olga distributed the minutes from March 9, 2013. Randa moved to accept the March 9, 2013 minutes as written and Nancy seconded the motion. Motion passed.

III. Treasurer's Report: Julie Canady

Darlene distributed copies of the treasurer's report on behalf of Julie, who was participating through Skype. Julie announced that the CD renews in November and taxes are in process for May 15, 2013. Nancy moved to accept the report as submitted. Randa seconded the motion. Motion passed.

IV. IFLTA Conference 2013 Updates: Darlene Lankenau

A. Call for Proposals: There are only 19 proposals at this point. Darlene asked constituent presidents to strongly encourage their members to submit proposals. It was also discussed that it would be interesting to have a session for a textbook discussion roundtable.

B. Deadlines: For now, the deadline is still June 1st but if needed, Darlene will adjust the deadline. This deadline applies to sessions and workshops.

C. Conference Program Updates. Darlene is still getting bids for the printing of the program booklets. In addition, Darlene has sent out emails to the 17 people who have expressed interest in helping with an aspect of the conference. She has compiled a list of confirmed participants and will share it with Gary. Darlene announced that Kathy Darnell has sent out a "Save the Date" card. She has been receiving some positive communication from vendors. Nancy announced that this year, she will be in charge of coordinating the new teacher workshop that takes place on Thursday evening. An announcement

was made regarding the need for applicants for the offices of 2nd Vice President and Secretary. The nomination period will be from June 1 through August 1. Online voting will be in September.

V. Website Manager's Report: Carol Goss

Darlene reminded present board members that each and every member should double-check that the information on the website is indeed correct. The same goes for constituent presidents and vice-presidents.

VI. Newsletter Editor's Report: Beate Westerhouse

Everyone would like to thank Beate for a wonderful newsletter. Darlene announced that she would follow up with Beate about getting a database from the department of education. At the next meeting, the board will decide if post cards will be sent depending on the cost.

VII. Old Business

A. Mentoring for the Future: Angelika Becker had nothing to report at this time

B. CSCTL follow-up: Darlene shared that the conference was well-attended and very successful.

1. CSC Delegate Assembly 2013: Darlene shared that it was nice to exchange ideas with surrounding states, especially Michigan and Ohio, as their demographics are similar to that of Indiana. Darlene said that the presidents of the three states would attempt to meet and collaborate over the summer or early fall.

2. CSC Leadership Academy 2013: Israel Herrera discussed advocacy and the efforts of those making strides with their organizations in this area. Other members of the Leadership Academy shared ways to encourage teachers to attend advocacy workshops.

3. CSC Extension Workshop 2013: Olga confirmed that she will be presenting and sharing information at the IFLTA conference with an emphasis on creating effective rubrics.

C. Small Grant (follow-up): Darlene Lankenau, Angelika Becker. Darlene shared results from the Northeast Indiana workshop: It was well attended and there was a great deal of interest on the subject of TPRS. Many stated they would like to see this type of workshop held again in the NE Indiana region on any current topic related to World Language education.

D. Scholarships, Grants, Strasheim 2013: Nancy Rogers. Still outlining the response for the applicants. Decision is not yet final but very close. There is no formal recommendation yet.

E. Teachers of the Year Nominations 2013: Dee Webster. Dee passed around nomination forms. Nominations were due to Dee by May 1st. Only the Chinese group had submitted a nomination. Dee reminded everyone that August 1st is the deadline for portfolios. Winners will be announced at the fall conference. Sarah Demaris represented IFLTA at CSCTFL 2013 and Keiko Kuriyama will represent IFLTA at Central States in 2014 in St Louis. As in

previous years during the IFLTA conference, Dee will have flowers and put them on the awardee table for the Saturday luncheon. It was suggested that IFLTA would be handing out framed certificates. Darlene moved the motion to present Teachers of the Year with framed certificates at the Saturday luncheon and Randa seconded. The motion was unanimously accepted. A congratulatory letter will also be sent out to Keiko on behalf of IFLTA

IX. New Business

- A. 2013-2014 Officer Elections. Nominations are accepted June 1 to August 1. Details are online. Voting will take place September 1 through October 1. At the August meeting, nominations will be approved. Voting is earlier this year with a deadline of October 1 instead of October 15, due to our earlier conference dates. Second Vice President and Secretary are the two available positions.

X. Constituent Organization Reports (as needed)

A. AATF: Jessica Sturm. Gary Spurgin reported for Jessica and announced that they have revisited the constitution and re-worded it so that the stipulation of having a certain academic level for a certain period no longer exists. Their amendment reads, "A Vice-President shall be elected every two years, with the current Vice-President automatically becoming President for the following two years. Vice-Presidents and Presidents can be either university, secondary, or pre-secondary faculty or emeriti." Also, AATF National has instituted a recruitment effort; to that end, all post-secondary faculty in the state have been contacted by Jessica Sturm who are not already members promoting AATF. For the Congrès, 18 schools were represented and 250 students participated. Cathedral was the host this year and will be the host next year.

B. AATF-NW IN: Randa Duvick reported that there is a new Grand Concours director, Ricky Baron, for the area.

C. AATG: Laura Wilson announced that the AATG board meeting was last weekend. She added that 600 students attended the German state conference.

D. AATSP: Andy Goodwin. Israel Herrera announced that the Congreso would be at the Franklin community high school. More details will be finalized about the dates at this week's AATSP board meeting.

E. AITJ: Allen Kidd announced that there was a writing conference at IUPUI on April 27. Allen announced as well that the new PRAXIS test should be ready for new teachers fall 2014 for Chinese, Japanese and Latin.

F. ICLASS: Pauline Yang announced that they have just completed the Chinese contest with close to a 100 public school students participating. She shared that they will be meeting with Bruce Blomberg to discuss the Chinese standards. The Chinese conference will be in the middle of September.

G. ICC: Jody Bergman shared that the Latin State convention took place at ISU in March. The new national organization winner is a senior at Park Tudor. She also announced that they are working with Bruce Blomberg on standards. She added that 46 states out of 50 passed the Pearsons test starting Fall 2013.

H. IN-NELL: Mercedes Muniz-Peredo reported that the Fall Conference is on September 28 at Park Tudor from 8:30 to 3:30. Mira Canion is going to be the conference guest speaker. All languages at all levels are invited.

XI. Announcements

Upcoming Board Meetings

Sat, August 3, 2013 (Cathedral High School, Indianapolis, IN)

Thurs, October. 17, 2013 (Conference Board Meeting, Sheraton)

Sat, October 19, 2013 (Conference Business Meeting, Sheraton)

Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 1:13pm

Minutes submitted by: Olga Mounayar, secretary