



## November 19, 2015 NE Regional Board Meeting Minutes

Convened at 5:00

**Present:** Robert Hendriks, Cindi Smith, Ron Lamarre, Phil Poinelli, Callie Gaspary, Shawn Hamlin

**Absent:** David Schrader, Jim Hutchison

- 1) Approval of minutes from the 8/13/2015 meeting - approved
- 2) New Board Members Introduced:
  - a) NY Chapter President: Callie Gaspary
  - b) Membership Chair; Shawn Hamlin
- 3) Reports:
  - a) Treasurers Report – Rob Pillar
    - i) Current account balance is: \$71,393.14
  - b) International Board – Phil Poinelli
    - i) Phil reported the following topics discussed at the international board meeting in San Diego:
      - (1) Better communications with regional representatives was requested
      - (2) Prioritize issues, committees, task forces
        - (a) International membership committee Chair is Julie Williams. A meeting is scheduled for the first Tuesday in December (December 1)
        - (b) Innovation committee
        - (c) Kelly Tanner is chairing the content committee
          - (i) Phil has been tasked to advise the board on development of an on-line resource to replace “the Guide”
        - (d) Schools Next
          - (i) It will be important to bring our regional chair, Mellisa Wilfong, and co-chair Paul Bradshaw up to speed. They should be added to our meeting invite list.
          - (ii) The Schools Next task force is being led by David. They are exploring expanding to High schools and possibly Higher Ed.
        - (e) Annual conference strategic planning
      - (3) The AIA CAE is interested in creating a closer alignment with A4LE. Phil is following up on this.
  - c) Membership --- Ron Lamarre, passing torch to Shawn Hamlin.
    - i) Phil suggested to develop promotional materials that can be used by our members
    - ii) Rob Hendriks suggested forming alliances with state organizations and speaking at their conferences about A4LE.
    - iii) Callie wants to be the next Robert Hendriks

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- d) Nominating / Awards – Rob Pillar – handing the torch to Jim
- e) New England Chapter
- f) NY Chapter
- g) Chesapeake Bay/Delaware Valley Chapter
  - i) Event on December 4, Cecil County School for Technologies
  - ii) February event at school outside of Philadelphia
  - iii) Planning for an event later in the Spring
- 4) Old Business:
  - a) International Conference – 2016 – Cyndi Smith
    - i) Theme: See attached email from Carla
    - ii) Subcommittees
    - iii) MOU with International
  - b) Steelcase Event – April 8, 2016:
    - i) Robert Hendricks/Ron Lamarre
      - (1) How can we get corporate sponsors?
- 5) New Business:
- 6) Meeting Adjourned at 6:01
- 7) Next meeting December 17, 2015 at 5:00

Respectfully Submitted,



**Email on Theme:**

**Good Afternoon,**

**I wanted to contact y'all to arrange a time to meet as a group to discuss themes. I know Janell has contacted you about it and we had an initial discussion. However it is important to engage the region in conversation and start moving forward with the 2016 conference planning.**

**Please respond but Friday, November 20th at 5:00 pm which time works best for you to have a brief conversation. We will spend approximately 30-45 minutes on the call.**

**Monday, November 30th at 2:00 pm**

**Tuesday, December 1st 9:30 am, 11:00 am or 5:30 pm**

**Wednesday, December 2nd at 2:00 pm**

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