SOUTHERN REGION BOARD MEETING MINUTES
March 2, 2017, Conference Call 1-712-432-0075, 932643#

Southern Region Board Members:
☑ Lisa Lamkin, President ☑ Bill Stice, Int. Vice Chair ☑ Bob Keltner, Pres. Arkansas
☐ Tim McClure, President Elect □ Kerri Ranney, Int. SR Dir. ☑ Linda Courtney, Pres. Central TX
☐ Dillon Brady, Vice President □ Irene Nigaglioni Chair SR Fnd. □ Todd Lien, Pres. Gulf Coast
☑ Joe Irizarry, Past President ☑ Brad Chilcote, Ark. State Dir. ☑ TBD (Kevin Moran), Pres. LA
☑ Clay Clayton, Treasurer ☑ Michael Holly, LA State Dir. ☑ Wayne Reynaud, Pres. North TX
☐ David Kaczynski, Secretary □ Gary Armbruster, OK State Dir. ☑ John Hansen, Pres. Oklahoma
☑ Gary Hutton, Communications ☑ Lowell Tacker, TX State Dir. ☑ Ed Mullins, Pres. South TX
☐ Patrick Glenn, Membership

Non-Board Members at the Meeting:
□ John Ramsey, CEO ☑ Donna Robinson, Dir. Member Care

A. Opening/Introductions and President’s Report:

  o Call Meeting to Order (Lisa Lamkin) (3: PM CST)
    • Establish Board Quorum (12 Present?) ☑ Yes/☐ No (14 Present)

  o Opening Remarks (Lisa Lamkin)
    • Strategic Plan –
      • 2017 Awards Nominations – See handout for Nomination Form and Award Criteria
      • Nomination forms to be submitted no later than March 10, 2017. Central Texas, North Texas, Louisiana and Oklahoma chapters have submitted their nomination.
      • Preparation of last year's planner of the year package (Clay and Donna to assist)
        ▪ Submit to International for this year's lifetime achievement award
      • 2017 International Strategic Plan Survey – See handout for Survey Form.
        ▪ Responses due to Lisa and Dillon by 3/9/17.
      • 2017-2108 Elections – There are # positions that the Board will need to fill including:
        • Vice President (3 year commitment)
B. Action Items:

- **Motion to approve the March 2, 2017 Southern Region Board Meeting Agenda**
  
  Motion: Clay Second: Gary
  Discussion:

  Vote: In favor: Opposed: Abstentions:
  
  Motion: ☒ Passed ☐ Failed

- **Motion to approve the February 2, 2017 Southern Region Board Management Meeting Minutes**
  
  Motion: Brad Second: Wayne
  Discussion: Correction – Dillon Brady listed as Board Member and Non-Board Member

  Vote: In favor: Opposed: Abstentions:
  Motion: ☒ Passed ☐ Failed

C. Informational Items and Discussion

Chapter Updates:

- Arkansas – Bob
  Planning upcoming activities.

- Central Texas – Linda
  - I surveyed my CTx Board and everyone was in favor of mentoring the Arkansas Chapter.
  - I plan to try to rendezvous with any Arkansas Chapter reps that are attending the Conference in New Orleans.
  - Funding for our SchoolsNext Team to attend the Southern Region Conference was approved by A4LE.
  - Lake Travis ISD School Board approved the out-of-state travel by the five students selected to represent the team.

- Gulf Coast – Todd

- Louisiana – Kevin
  Focused on supporting Southern Region conference.

- Oklahoma – John
  Executing action items from Oklahoma planning session and setting new goals. Hosting open house for Vocational Technology facility. Participating in 3 complimentary association conferences. Working with North Texas Chapter president on chapter Mentor Protégé’ initiative. Linking OK board members with North Texas chapter peers.

- South Texas – Ed
  Focused on increasing chapter program attendance this year. So far, averaged 100+ participants for January and February programs. Also added 6 new members.

Finances (Separate accounts for SR and Chapters)

- SR Balance: Approximately $185,313.35 in checking
- Expense reports for Dallas planning session.
- $16,725.23 (Budget was $40,000)
- Conference Expenses to Date: $8,741.34 Conference Revenue to Date: $74,190.00
- Chapter Balances: No report
  - Donna will provide chapter finance information to SR Secretary prior to board meetings.
    - Arkansas: $
Southern Region Foundation (Irene Nigaglioni)

- Accounts:
  - Bank Account: Balance: $65,862.77 in checking account
  - Investments: 2 CD: $219,253.69

- Conference Scholarships Awarded
  - Foundation awarded $14,000 in scholarships for 13 folks to attend the New Orleans conference. $14,000 was the allocated budget figure for 2016-17. Scholarship amounts were determined based on merit, application completeness and travel costs. Kudos to the Louisiana chapter for bringing in five (5) public sector representatives that are first time attendees to the conference. Other recipients include three (3) attendees from Oklahoma, Two (2) attendees from Austin, Two(2) attendees from DFW and One (1) attendee from Houston.
  - Next up is the application for scholarship for tuition in the Advanced Academy.
    - One (1) scholarship is issued yearly. The application will be out later this month.

International Representation - Bill Stice (International Vice Chair), Kerri Ranney (International SR Director)

Kerri - Planning at International level, collecting information and input from members, various topics to discuss include the vision going forward, mission/vision statements post rebranding, set goals and objectives

Bill – The three areas of focus from International will be:
- Membership- emerging professionals, membership recruitment/retention, global mindset and communications
- Knowledge Center Steering Committee- content, future content planning, Schools Next, the Guide
- Development Steering Committee- Main Annual event/conference, Schools Next, partner sponsors

There will be opportunities for folks to serve on these and subcommittees to these main committees. There will be representation from all 7 regions on each of these committees.

International Committee: (For reference)
- Innovation is focused on early childhood education, pedagogies and conference content/format.
- Membership has been focused on the emerging professionals program.
- SchoolsNEXT committee has been working on fine-tuning the existing model and program growth
- SchoolsNext Task Force has been focused on financial development, sustainability of the overall program and expansion into the high schools.
- Global Organization Task Force is focused on shifting the mindset of the entire Association into an international group that approaches every decision, situation, issue and opportunity with a global mindset.
- Content Steering Committee is focused on conference structures, format, content, etc. in an effort to continue to bring the highest value to the membership.
- The International staff focus is on the conference in Atlanta, GA, October 25 – 30, 2017.
2017 Southern Region Conference Update – New Orleans (Tim McClure)
  o Site: Hilton New Orleans Riverside, New Orleans, LA, April 1 – 4, 2017
     Currently 183 people registered; 2/3 of booths sold; 17 sponsors; programs to be announced soon.

2017 Southern Region Items

  o Communication – Newsletters (Gary)
     Next issue after SR conference

  o Initiatives – No update
    o Professional Development –
    o SchoolsNext (Dillon Brady) –
    o Emerging Professionals –

  o New Business Items:
    • Outgrowth of the Strategic Plan
      Member Mentor/Protégé Program – Wayne
      Mentor and Protégé chapters have been matched. North Texas and Oklahoma activities already
      are underway. Wayne and committee will provide other written direction.
      Steps: 1 Identify Mentor Chapters, 2 Identify Protégé Chapters, 3 Paring
      Possible pairings: North TX – Oklahoma; Gulf – Louisiana. Central TX – Arkansas
      Other possible Chapters to be developed:
      • Corpus Christi or Valley Chapter, distance issues
      • Midland/West Chapter

  o Chapter Leader Development Program
    • Chapter Leadership Development Conference Calls – No Update

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E. Adjournment

Move to Adjourn the SR Board Meeting for March 2, 2017
Motion: Ed    Second: Wayne
Discussion:

Vote:  In favor:  Opposed:  Abstentions:
Motion: ☒  Passed  ☐  Failed
Time: 4: PM