

FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF EDUCATIONAL DATA SYSTEMS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
FEBRUARY 6, 1995
SHERATON PLAZA HOTEL, FLORIDA MALL, ORLANDO, FLORIDA

The meeting was called to order at 1:00PM by President Dan Cromer. Board members present were Dan Cromer, Earl Moon, Mary Haney, Fred Rabe, Jack Tinsley, Mike Eason, Bill Branch, Bebe Smith, Bernie Slessinger, Babs Ryan, Rich Struense, Cary Petersen, Al LeDuc. Members not present were Annette Barwick and Jorge Ortega.

Others attending: Laurie Freeman and Gaby Leon.

Minutes from the 10/26/94 meeting were approved.

By Laws report by Jack Tinsley: No changes to the by laws since the last meeting.

FACE report. Jorge Ortega was not present. Bebe briefly discussed some updates:

FETC conference (Bebe shared the following with group before Mike arrived):

- The affiliate President will be introduced at the FETC General Opening Session.
- Teacher Of The Year will be announced.
- Education Commissioner Frank Brogan will be at the conference.
- FAEDS will have a handout at the reception desk.
- The Opening Session, Saturday 3/4/95 at 9:30AM, is scheduled for 1

hour

but will probably last longer.

- There is approximately 500 vendors and over 10,000 people have pre-registered so far.

FAEDS Handbook report - Bill Branch:

Motion was made by Bill Branch and seconded by Jack Tinsley to have the Past president responsible for the FAEDS Handy Book and the FAEDS Handbook.

Carried with a unanimous vote.

- There are updates for the FAEDS Handy Book but none for the FAEDS Handbook.

Budget Reports:

FAEDS budget report Fred Rabe: Report as of 1/31/95.

-Total expenses \$20,748.44.

-Total revenue \$18,633.28.

There is approximately another \$9,000.00 expected from the FETC Management fee.

FETC Treasurer report Mary Haney as of 2/2/95:

-Current balance is \$296,187.31. This does not reflect deposits made since 2/2/95. Those deposits will up the balance to around \$350,000.

-Money Market was discussed - No action taken.

-Bonding was discussed - Dan and Mike will study this and the two signatures versus one signature on checks.

-Jim Wadsworth of Tallahassee has old FAEDS records stored. Needs to destroy some of these records. The Board approved Jim destroying those that were not legally needed. Jim billed FAEDS \$1,250 for the Audit Report and Tax Prep.

Money Market report Mary Haney:

-Current balance is \$19,471.10.

FETC report Mike Eason:

-Struggling to meet ADA requirements for the handicap.

-FETC is working on getting adequate signs pointing people to various locations.

-Barbara Ann Cox has been contracted to help finish up FETC planning due to her departure from DOE.

-Mike now reports to Frank Darden.

-Technology incentive money has been restored. The money to fund this will probably come from discretionary funds.

-Currently Mike and his staff are charging FETC supplies and equipment to their own personal credit card accounts. They are then reimbursed by FETC. Mike would like to quit doing this. Discussion followed on a FETC credit card with a \$5000.00 limit. The board approved the FETC credit card.

Bonding issue was discussed. It was decided the FETC credit card would be a Barnett VISA, however all large bills would still be paid for by check, with two signatures. Bills and statements would continue to be sent to Mary Haney.

-Carol McRae's company was contracted to handle the Exhibit hall and registration.

Changes in the Department:

-Bill Schott is filling in for Dave Brittian until the reorganization is

complete.

- There will be some consolidation of MIS functions.
- Some functions will likely be privatized.
- FETC needs to change so that there is a FETC chair and a half time conference coordinator,
 - Discussion followed - Still need to keep educators involved - Parts of FETC are already privatized - Current system helps keep cost down - Must be careful of privatization as it can lead to loss of integrity - FETC must still report to DOE - FAEDS board would be involved with contractual FETC chair.

-A sub committee composed of Past-president, President, and President-elect was appointed to work with Mike on privatization. Jack Tinsley made the motion. Second was made by Bernie Slessinger. Motion carried unanimously.

-Mike introduced to the group a letter from Bill Schott, in which Bill introduced himself to the group. It was suggested that Dan compose a letter to Bill outlining what FAEDS is all about, and offering FAEDS support.

FIRN report - Bebe Smith:

- The 25% budget cut proposition was discussed .
 - Money to regional data centers would be dramatically cut.
 - Money to districts would be affected.
- FIRNMAIL is averaging 150 to 200 applications a day.
- Upgrading of equipment continues.
 - Points Of Presence (POP'S) are in.
 - Had to bid modems thus delaying this upgrade.
 - There will soon be a FIRN account for all to use - for such things as LUIS users.
- There will be a FIRN acceptable use policy that will soon appear when one first signs on. If you answer yes at the bottom, you will no longer see this information. FIRN is also making space available for each district to insert a district acceptable use policy, if a district so chooses.
- The Help Desk will be getting more involved with daily problems as to free up some FIRNTEC time.
- FIRN will be offering more night support.
- The latter part of March, Bill Schmid, will be visiting districts to discuss TCP/IP issues.

Historian report - Bernie Slessinger:

- Bernie announced that he is retiring effective June 16,1995. Bernie's retiring will create a void, that will be hard to fill.
- A new historian will be solicited.

Membership report - Babs Ryan:

- Membership is at 198.
- There are 7 lifetime members.
- 206 attended the last conference in Altamonte Springs.
- It was discussed and approved to allow Babs to spend \$150.00 to purchase a printer that would produce large name labels for the conferences.

Network News - Rich Struense:

- Nothing to update.

SDCCMIS report - Carey Petersen:

- Spring and Fall meeting to be held in the Orlando area. Leon School District is heading up the Spring Conference. Contact is Bill Piotrowski - FAEDS needs to know dates so we can plan our conferences with SDCCMIS dates in mind. Carey will get back with the Board on the dates.

Scholarships - Bebe Smith:

- Will be contacting current scholarship holders to see if they want to re-apply.
- There should be a lot of teacher applicants this year.

Next meeting - all:

- Have next meeting out of the Orlando area. Clearwater Beach area was recommended. Babs will make the arrangements.
- May 25-26, 1995 was recommended, with a afternoon half day on May 25th and a morning half day on May 26th.

Meeting adjourned :

- Dan adjourned the meeting at 4:00PM.
- Meeting to continue at 8:30AM on 3/7/95.

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Continuation of 2/6/95 meeting

The meeting was called to order at 8:30AM by President Dan Cromer. Board members present were Dan Cromer, Earl Moon, Mary Haney, Fred Rabe, Jack Tinsley, Mike Eason, Bill Branch, Bebe Smith, Bernie Slessinger, Babs Ryan, Rich Struense, Cary Petersen, Al LeDuc. Members not present were Annette Barwick and Jorge Ortega.

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Old Business:

-FAEDS Logo.

-Place ad in Network News as to a Logo contest - Deadline of August 1, 1995 - Winner will get free admission to next conference - Winner to be determined at the October 1995 Board meeting.

New Business:

-ISTE (International Society for Technology in Education) affiliation was discussed. It was felt that ISTE is really helpful in supporting the FETC conference - a motion was made by Mike Eason to continue the \$150.00 membership fee. Second by Fred Rabe. The motion was approved. - The mailing address for correspondence with ISTE would be the Network News board member.

-Conference 95 - Al LeDuc:

-Results of last years survey:

74 responded to the survey with 66 favoring Orlando area as best location for the conference.

-Possible sites mentioned were: Raddison, Altamonte Springs Hilton, and The Sheraton Plaza Hotel in the Florida Mall.

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The Sheraton Plaza Hotel was first choice - Two dates mentioned were the last week in September or last week in October. The last week in September was first choice - the rates for the Sheraton should be around \$70.00 a night.

- Vendor presentations in last year's survey were rated the lowest point of the conference.
- Internet, Networking schools, and Technology resources for teachers were rated the highest.
- Others receiving low marks were Copyright Issues and Blown Fiber.
- Suggested piggy backing topics with low ratings with topics that receive high ratings.
- Vendor presentations were discussed further:
 - suggest to vendors that they keep their presentations as an INFO commercial or training type presentation, or keep it conceptual rather than a HARD SELL.
- Three tracts the maximum.

Dan adjourned meeting at 9:15AM.

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