

Florida Association of Educational Data Systems

Board of Directors Meeting

August 14-15, 1997

The meeting was called to order at 1:10 p.m. by President Rich Struense. Board members present: Annette Barwick, Dan Cromer, Marie Dence, Saul Klein, Al LeDuc, Earl Moon, Cary Petersen, Fred Rabe, Ron Schoenau, Bill Schmid and Steve Miller (8/15 only). Board Members absent: Carlotta Appleman and Murry Moore.

Minutes of the May 1-2 , 1997, meeting were moved for approval by Earl Moon, seconded by Fred Rabe and approved as presented.

The Treasurer's report was distributed . The report reflected balances in money market and checking accounts totaling \$79,171.16, of which \$25,121.07 are FIRN funds.

The updated 97-98 Budget Report was distributed and discussed.

FETC Board meeting scheduled weekend of August 16. Rich Struense scheduled to attend.

Marie Dence presented Historian report. Indicated first phase complete. Requests pictures, input, and possible enhancements. Will attempt to contact scholarship recipients for update on status.

Membership report presented by Ron Schoenau indicated 158 paid members. Working on membership flyer.

Marie Dence reported she will design scholarship flyer like membership brochure.

Fall Conference arrangements were presented and reviewed by Cary Petersen. He reported on vendor participation; indicated sponsors have been secured for breakfast and lunch; no sponsor identified for dinner or Monday night football. After reviewing vendor participation, board members were assigned to contact specific vendors to secure their participation. Hotel cutoff was specified as October 1. Registration form with tentative agenda to be sent out first week in September and include registration fees as follows: \$60 advance, \$75 on site. Hotel is \$77 per night. Discussion and input to tentative schedule was provided.

Al LeDuc presented an election report indicating that Carlotta Appleman, Steve Miller, Fred Rabe, and Ron Schoenau were elected as directors; Dan Cromer elected President Elect. Saul Klein was named to fill the remaining one year of Dan Cromer's term based on election returns. Al LeDuc moved, Earl Moon seconded that ballots be destroyed. Motion passed.

Proposed By Laws changes were presented by Earl Moon. He reported they were posted on the web page and distributed to membership to be voted on at the annual business meeting.

Dan Cromer reported on Awards for Murry Moore. He reviewed membership of the Awards Committee which includes the Awards Chairperson, Secretary, President Elect and a regular member. Marie Dence was named as the regular member and the Awards Committee agreed to meet at the end of the Board Meeting. Annette Barwick agreed to secure the awards for presentation at the fall Conference.

Cary Petersen made the MIS report for Bill Piotrowski and noted the following: Data Review Committee revision in process; Usenet group development in progress; and no Year 2000 conversion funds allocated from state for school districts. Concern was expressed regarding the need for SDCCMIS participation in FAEDS Board meetings.

Three possible FAEDS logos were distributed by Marie Dence. After much discussion and polling of the Board members, Bill Schmid suggested giving the assignment to a graphic artist for design. Dan Cromer will pursue the project.

The meeting recessed at 5:10 p.m.

The FAEDS Board Meeting reconvened Friday, August 15, 1997 at 9:00 a.m.

New Business

The mission of the FAEDS organization and the target membership was questioned by Saul Klein and discussed by all. After much discussion, Rich Struense proposed scheduling a session to explore developing a mission statement and strategic plan for the organization.

An Email from Bill Piotrowski was distributed regarding issues jointly involving FAEDS and MIS. Rich Struense will contact Bill Piotrowski to attempt to meet with appropriate DOE staff to define a contract for DRC activities. Bill Schmid moved the Board approve in concept the status of FAEDS as the fiscal agent for the MIS/DRC activities and authorize the President to act on behalf of the Board. Motion seconded by Earl Moon; motion passed.

Scholarship report was made by Bill Schmid who indicated that three scholarships were awarded for 1997. Funds have been sent to the appropriate institutions (Embry Riddle, UCF, UF) and students notified.

Bill Schmid reported FIRN activities as follows :

Internet smut issue – staff evaluating filtering products.

Negotiating with Britannica Online access to public school students K-12, community colleges and

universities; 8 schools per district free; others \$.25 per FTE).

Implementing infrastructure upgrade in South Florida to meet increasing access requirements.

Three new FIRNTECS hired.

\$400,000 increase in state budget requested.

Telecommunications discount update – all school districts, community colleges and universities have

submitted RFS's for DMS to negotiate rates; vendors disagree; in negotiations; may be retroactive.

Universal access update – no application available; meeting in Tallahassee Sept. 19 to prepare for

application when available; FIRN has applied for discount status.

Input or ideas for a keynote speaker for the Fall Conference was requested by Cary Petersen.

Marie Dence proposed running hard copy membership lists for distribution at conference registration.

The meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Annette B. Barwick, Secretary