

# **SILA Minutes**

March 14, 2012

1. **The meeting was called to order** at 5:32 pm by Ron Conradt.

**Present:** Ron Conradt, Sally Ritchie, Anne Louis, Bill Collar, Jenny Moeller, Linda Lemmers, Kelly Zeinert, Terri Brouillard, Chris VanderHeyden, Darlene M. (from the Charter School Association)

**Absent:** Sue Berard and Justin Willis

2. **Approval of the agenda** (motion by Anne Louis, second by Terri Brouillard)
3. **Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting from 2-8-2012** (motion by Bill Collar, second by Jenny Moeller)
4. **Introduction and welcome of guest** (Chris V. and Darlene M.)
5. **Delegations** – none
6. **Reports**

**Anne Louis** – Things are going well

**Ron Conradt** – Nothing to report (as he was out of the state for the past month)

**Sally Ritchie**

-Partnership things are being set up. The Partnership Committee is excited about the guest speakers lined up for the month

NASA

Bill Collar – Seneca Fall Re-enactment

Job Shadowing

-Things will be set up at the open house so the community can hear and see all of the great things that the Partnership Committee is doing with SILA

-Linda Wickesberg has agreed to be in charge of scheduling

-Sally has created a master calendar on Google doc to help improve communication. Mr. VanderHeyden will look into getting this calendar on the Shiocton website.

**Jenny Moeller** – Discussed the Spaghetti Dinner and setting up a student activity account

7. **Continuing Business**

a) **February SAMS** – none

b) **Report from State Charter Conference** – Sally shared with the group information from the State Charter Conference held in Madison on 12/1/12. The board discussed visiting other Charter Schools (that were at the conference) and the price of these visits (between \$500 - \$2000). Mrs Louis informed the group that a Polycom unit would be purchased next year in order to facilitate communication with Charter Schools throughout the state. Bill Collar suggested that we focus on the SILA plan (goals – vision, etc). Darlene encourage the group to do both.

- c) **Discussion about March 22 Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction** – the Parent Advisory Committee will be planning on between 100 – 150 people. Invitations have been sent out.
- d) **Follow up from Sally and Terri’s meeting about the lap tops going home** – Mr. VanderHeyden shared with the board the “Responsibility and consent contract” that was created. The board liked the information. The board also felt that a “How to Care For Your Computer” sheet should also be included with the contract. The SILA teachers will review this information with the students (along with the Deep Freeze information) before the computers go home. In the future, this contract and information will be shared with parents at orientation.
- e) **Continued Discussion About Traditional Classes** – Mrs. Louis shared with the board the expectation about traditional classes being taken outside of SILA. The SILA staff and administration has come to an agreement that SILA students will be able to take two classes outside of SILA if they meet the expectations. All students will be asked to fill out a registration form for these classes so Mrs. Uelmen and Mrs. Zeinert can plan accordingly.
- f and g) **Review of Budget and Budget Projections** – Mr. VanderHeyden went over the budget process and projections for the 2012-13 school year. He encouraged the board to start planning for the 2013-14 school year in December (adding it as a monthly agenda item)
- h) **Update 501C3 Status** – Mr. VanderHeyden stated that it is 95% done and his goal is to have it completed by the end of next week
- i) **Budget for the Communication and Partnership Committee** – Terri will send Mrs. Louis an amount to be included in the budget for next year.

## 8. New Business

- a). Explanation of budget process by Mr. VanderHeyden – covered earlier in the meeting
- b) **Opening a 4<sup>th</sup> Advisory** – This will cost the Shiocton School District \$197,000 (to cover items not covered by the grant). Mr. VanderHeyden will go before the Shiocton School Board on March 19<sup>th</sup> to discuss whether or not the board is willing to fund this for next year.
- c) **PE Requirements** – tabled until next meeting
- d) **Fly In** – The Parent Advisory Group is NOT interested in organizing this. The Governance Council did make a motion to go ahead with a raffle (prize to be decided at the next meeting – Motion by Anne Louis, seconded by Sally Ritchie)
- e). Student Trip Accounts – Will be set up like the Music Student Accounts (no approval needed)
- f). **Calendar on Google** – covered earlier in the meeting
- g). **Possible Governance Board Retreat** – We will bring in a facilitator. Terri Brouillard has agreed to help organize the retreat. Look at your calendar so a date can be picked at the next meeting (sometime in June)

Motion to adjourn made by Bill Collar at 8:00 pm.