

Orange County Association of School Administrators
Board Meeting Minutes
August 9, 2010

Board Members in Attendance

Bob Clark, Sheilla Johnson, Eric Lundren, Kelly Moss, Nancy Schroeder, Kelly Pelletier, Seth Daub, Rob Bixler, Anita Gentz, William Harris, Patricia Ramsey, Mike Armbruster, Susan Storch, Alex Heidelberg

Welcome

Meeting was brought to order at 4:10 p.m. by Sheilla Johnson with a welcome and introductions.

Principal District Committee Reports

Technology – Nancy Schroeder reported on the EDW project team headed by Lee Baldwin. The team, which has broad representation, is currently looking at expanding the information in the EDW and adding an Instructional Management System. The search for a new CIO is progressing although no candidate has yet been announced. The SAP SRM (Supplier Relationship Management) project will help OCPS establish a more effective process from the time of purchase to the time of paying for goods and services and is in process.

Secretary and Treasurer Reports – Nancy Schroeder shared the minutes from the May meeting. Susan Storch shared the current balances from the treasurer report. There are currently 238 members. Board members are all encouraged to bring in new members.

OCASA Committees –It was agreed that the district and OCASA committees will be one and the same. Sheilla will contact the people whose names were suggested for serving on committees. Once names are confirmed, Nancy will update the organizational chart.

Lifesaver Awards - The Lifesaver Award is given to district level employees who go the extra mile to assist schools. Top vote winners receive a Lifesaver to hang on the wall and all nominees receive a certificate. The board agreed to present this award again this fall and will accept nominations from OCASA members. The board agreed that to continue to present the award as we did last year, with OCASA officers going to the workplace of the winners.

New Business –

Discussion was held on opening membership to all district administrators. Orange County is one of the few districts not currently including these people. Bob shared that the other organizations are encouraging us to move in this direction. The board will look at a revision of bylaws to present to the membership for a vote.

OCASA pays \$1 per member to belong to the Tampa Bay Area coalition for the benefit of detailed information on state issues, communication, and administration. Pat Ramsey suggested that this cost be monitored for necessity.

The topic of hosting a reception for school board members was discussed. It was agreed to wait until after elections and then host a reception prior to a board work session. Sheilla will bring this up with the superintendent and Kelly Pelletier will look into engraved pens to present.

Seth Daub asked what efforts are being made to recruit new members. He suggested working through the PNPP program to inform aspiring administrators of the professional benefits of membership. He will head up this effort.

FASA Conference Report – Sheilla shared that in some districts principals have two schools to supervise. Some districts have no APS but rather assistants that can do assessments but get paid less. In other districts principals are on 10 month contracts. Some districts are using furloughs to save money.

FASA will put out a list of candidates to support after the primary elections. Retirement issues are very big and include measure such as eliminating sick leave/annual leave payout, eliminating the COLA pay, and using the top 10 years of salary rather than top 5 for retirement pay.

Dates for future board meetings –

OCASA board meetings will be held the 2nd Monday of each month at Orlando Tech, RM 317, at 4:30.

Fall General Meeting/Social –

A breakfast meeting for the OCASA general membership will be planned for Tuesday, Oct 5th, at 7:00 a.m. at the Marriot Downtown. This way management can go directly to the ELT meeting at 9:00 a.m. at the ELC.

Topics for September agenda –

- survey issues need to be drilled down so that 2-3 items can be brought to the superintendent
- bylaws need to be revised
- date for lifesaver award needs to be determined

The next OCASA board meeting will be held on Monday, September 13, 2010.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m. Next board meeting will be held on November 10th, at 4:30 p.m. at Ocoee High School.