



**FATE SPRING BOARD MEETING  
APRIL 25, 2009  
Daytona Beach College, 150 University Center  
10:00am- 3:30pm**

**In Attendance:** *Jason Ampel, Susan Caldwell, Jane Govoni, Jeffrey Kaplan, Dwyane Kohn, Wanda Lastrapes, Kathleen Lazarus, Julie Shane, Terri Sypolt, Gwendolyn Trotter, and Scott Wise*

The meeting was called to order by *Wanda Lastrapes*, Past-President at 10:20am. The board welcomed the new Executive Director, *Scott Wise*.

Works sessions for the standing and adhoc committees were organized as follows:

**Membership and Awards** – *Terrie Sypolt*

**Nominations and Elections-**

**Communications and Publications-** *Jane Govoni (Scott Wise/Jeff Kaplan)*

**Finance and Audit-**

**Approval of Minutes-** Winter Board Meeting - Approved

A **motion** was made to vote on the board meeting minutes via email in order to post more efficiently on the FATE website. The minutes will be sent out for vote by the secretary. At the regular board meetings, minutes will be discussed as well.

**Treasurer's Report** - Ending balance = \$24,309.46 submitted by Mickie Miller, Treasurer

**Regional Meeting Updates:**

**Panhandle** - *Gwendolyn Trotter* reported that there were approximately 125-140 participants at the regional symposium on Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at Florida State University. The theme of the meeting was *Radical Redesign of Teacher Education*. She provided an overview of the meeting and speakers.

**East Central-** *Terrie Sypolt* reported that there were approximately 35 participants. It was very successful and participants shared that they planned on attending the state conference in the Fall.

**Membership** –*Terrie Sypolt* shared the working committee report from the morning session. She stated that information was disseminated across the state regarding the annual conference. She is working diligently to spread the word, such as working with the FLDOE, ATE, and other channels to circulate conference information. She mentioned that Regional Directors should be disseminating information in their respective areas. Wikis are available in regions to get the word out too. In addition, more information will be provided at the conference breakfasts.

*Jason Ampel* presented the idea of a ‘FATE Career Fair’ for pre-service teachers. He is willing to spearhead this initiative and suggested asking superintendents to attend or even serve on a session panel. In addition, curriculum specialists could be notified.

*Jeff Kaplan* suggested providing a FATE literary conference or coffee/tea at university to connect teachers with students. Discussion followed other ways to target teachers to connect with their students and showcase FATE as the organizational mechanism. In addition, awards could be given out at the annual conference. *Jeff Kaplan* suggested that charter schools and private schools are typically very willing to attend.

*Jeff Kaplan* stated that teachers are continuously looking for grants and perhaps a sponsor would be willing to work with FATE to support mini-grants for teachers.

The *Fanchon F. Funk Scholars Award* criteria and application were distributed to all board members. This information is available on the FATE website. It was noted that the awards committee should be working on the ATE unit award now. It was suggested that *Otilia Salmon* be contacted regarding the steps in completing this process. The unit award must be submitted by December but it was recommended that it be submitted by the middle of October. State award is due by July 20<sup>th</sup>-nomination packet -and by August 15<sup>th</sup> the recipient will be notified. Directors of each region should make a sincere effort to nominate from their respective regions.

A **motion** was made to increase in the award for the *Fanchon F. Funk Scholars Awards* from \$150.00 to \$300.00. This award is available to four recipients at this time. The motion passed (9-1).

A **motion** was made to form an adhoc committee to discuss the awards and possible sponsorships. This committee would work directly with the Executive Director, Scott Wise. The motion passed unanimously. *Gwendolyn Trotter* and *Jeff Kaplan* volunteered to serve on the committee. The Executive Director will work with the committee and *Gwendolyn* will chair the committee. *Wanda Lastrape* will send to *Jane Govoni* the Fanchon Funk Scholars Awards Program Application for 2009. In turn, it will be sent to *Scott Wise* to post on the FATE website.

## **Nominations and Elections**

*Scott Wise* reviewed the timeline for nominations. The list of proposed nominations was provided. *Alicia Mendoza*, Chair of Nominations will send out a letter to accept/decline to all nominees. An at-large

graduate student was nominated by *Wanda Lastrape* as Diane Melendez. There was a motion to close nominations and it was approved.

A **motion** was made to notify current board member of Panhandle K-12 regarding non-participation on the board and a replacement will be suggested for this position. *Wanda Lastrape*, Past-President will prepare this letter and an appointment to complete the term will be made.

### **Communications and Publications**

**Website:** There was discussion on a FATE website which included the following: (a) Home (URL) [www.fate.ate1.org](http://www.fate.ate1.org); (b) Host (space and repair); (c) Design (software, one time purchase); and (d) editor/webmaster (day-today).

*Jason Ampel* suggested a colleague (Mark) who is willing to set up the host for the website. *Jeff Kaplan* suggested following the [www.fascd.org](http://www.fascd.org) website format. The Qualitative Report website at [www.nova.edu](http://www.nova.edu) is a model journal format as a suggested format as well. Approval on the budget amount and approval to have website ready by the October 2009 Conference. A motion was made to move forward on this project and find a host to include two years of hosting, registration of the domain, a one-time purchase of the software for the webmaster, and design. The amount of \$3000.00 was proposed. *Jason Ampel* volunteered to get some quotes for a host and website within a week period. The committee will move forward and make the decisions.

A **motion** was made to spend up to \$3000.00 for a journal to be published for the October 2009 Conference. The motion was unanimously approved. *Jeff Kaplan* will lead the way on this.

### **Finance and Audit – Scott Wise, Executive Director**

A proposed budget was presented by *Scott Wise*. All board members were provided a copy of the budget. At the Fall Conference the budget will be presented to all members. It was noted that the awards budget will be a line item for the Awards committee, i.e., Fanchon F. Funk Award.

### **Conference Planning Committee – Kathleen Lazarus, Chair**

A special thanks was given to *Scott Wise*, *Terrie Sypolt*, and *Wanda Lastrape* for their dedication and commitment in organizing the conference speakers and agenda.

*Kathleen Lazarus* reviewed the conference schedule and discussion followed. *Jason Ampel* suggested a 'gift for teachers' opportunity and volunteered to organize this for the conference. *Kathleen Lazarus* agreed that this would be a good idea. She distributed the duties of committee chairs.

Discussion followed regarding student presentations. Last year there was the Student Voices time slot but this year the conference is shortened and thus it is more challenging to fit in the student

presentations. A suggestion was made to offer a student showcase on Saturday afternoon from 3:00-4:00pm, along with the ending reception and door prizes.

Registration fees must be determined in order to develop a registration form. It was suggested that the fee be \$50.00 for Friday only and \$100.00 for Saturday only or a two day registration. Student registration fee is \$15.00. The badge color would denote the paid fee. A **motion** to approve the proposed conference budget was made and accepted.

Discussion followed regarding possible choices for entertainment, program design and format.

*Terrie Sypolt* presented a list of possible sponsorship opportunities.

### **Summer Conference Planning Meeting -TBA**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50pm.