

NSPA ANNUAL MEETING

4/22/09

MINUTES

1. Call to Order: NSPA President Tom Grumbly called the NSPA Annual meeting to order at 7pm. The meeting will be shortened in order that the NSPA-sponsored program for parents start at 7:30pm.

Other Board Attendees: Clare Dean, Kathy Ginsberg, Ross Gorte, Maril Levy, Caitlin Lhommedieu, Mike McGurrin, Brenda Mutchler, Patti Oehmke, and Nancy Vibert.

Board Members Absent: Joanna Cole, Melissa Dana, Lyn Goodman, Donna Kraemer, and Betsy Sue Scott.

Other Attendee(s): Cindy DiPalma, Lisa Doyle, Jennifer Hill and Tom Mutchler.

2. Approval of the March Meeting Minutes: The March Meeting minutes were approved on motion by Nancy Vibert, Vice President, with a second by Ross Gorte, Treasurer.

3. New Business:

a. Board Nominations and Elections: The President announced the agenda item for the meeting would be nominations and elections for next year's NSPA Board. He explained the nominating procedures and noted that every NSPA member in attendance had the option to nominate a person for the slate. He then gave a brief overview of the NSPA purpose and types of events sponsored. Caitlin Lhommedieu described how serving on the board benefited her by giving her a sense of involvement and connection to the school, especially since the community is so geographically spread out.

The President explained the four officer and various other positions and gave an overview of their responsibilities. He suggested that nominations start with the four officer positions. There no objections.

Nominations began with the Treasurer position. The current Treasurer Ross Gorte, a senior parent, will not be at the school next year. Kathy Ginsburg nominated current Assistant Treasurer Patti Oehmke and Caitlin Lhommedieu seconded the motion. Patti Oehmke agreed to the nomination on the condition that an Assistant Treasurer be found and the current Treasurer suggested that one be located. All approved the nomination.

The President next called for nominations for Secretary. He conveyed the regrets from current Secretary Betsy Sue Scott at not being able to attend the meeting and also conveyed her interest in continuing service as Board Secretary. Tom Grumbly nominated her for Secretary with Ross Gorte seconding. All approved the nomination.

The President then asked for nominations for Vice President. Clare Dean nominated current Vice President Nancy Vibert and Caitlin Lhommedieu seconded. All approved the nomination.

For President, Nancy Vibert nominated current President Tom Grumbly with Patti Oehmke seconding. All approved the nomination.

Upon nomination, the following Representatives were approved:

Member-At-Large – Clare Dean.

Lower Grade Representative - Kathy Ginsberg

Middle School Representative - Lisa Doyle

9th grade Representative – Jennifer Hill

10th grade Representative - Brenda Mutchler

11th grade Representatives - Lyn Goodman and Cindy DiPalma

12th grade Representative - Caitlin Lhommedieu

b. 2009-2020 NSPA Budget: In view of the short meeting, the Board agreed that discussions on the 2009-2010 budget will take place at the May NSPA meeting. The Board determined that the budget will be passed at that time. All current and new Board members and officers were asked to attend the May meeting.

4. Old Business: 20th Anniversary Gala - The Vice President asked for a decision from the Board regarding the 20th Anniversary event and presentation of a gift to John Potter and Joan Goodman. She received a gift suggestion of a Steuben Apple, which she thought to be a perfect gift. The Steuben figure would cost \$690.00. After a brief Board discussion and confirmation from the Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer that the donations to the NSPA would be tax deductible, the President said that he would secure private donors to cover the cost of the gift. The President moved that the Vice President purchase the gift for the NSPA to present at the Gala to John Potter and Joan Goodman as a token of New School parents' esteem and appreciation. Upon seconding by the Treasurer, all approved the motion.

5. Next Meeting: The next meeting of the NSPA Board will take place at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 20th, at 7pm.

6. Adjournment: The President adjourned the Board meeting at 7:30pm.

Meeting notes taken by Clare Dean; minutes prepared by Betsy Sue Scott, Board Secretary