

**Florida Developmental Education Association
Pre Conference Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Wyndham Resort Hotel
Orlando, Florida
Wednesday, October 17, 2007**

Call to order at 1:00 pm by Dianne Kostelny, 2007 President

In attendance: Susan Taylor, Sandra Offiah-Hawkins, Marjorie Simon, Susan Bierster, Wanda Cook, Hubert Brown, Jr., Lynn Blanton, Diane Reese, Laura Smith, Nick Bekas, Gail Burkett, Russell Takashima, Linda Hidek, Dianne Kostelny, Patti Levine-Brown

Meeting opened with introductions.

Discussion: By-laws

Dianne Kostelny reported that changes were made to the duties of secretary and nominations chair. Additionally, we will be removing SUNCOM phone numbers because many colleges are no longer using this communication system.

Hubert Brown reported that Bethune Cookman University needs to be added to the list of Region III schools.

Dianne gave each Board member a packet of pages to update his/her by-laws current.

Discussion: Conference Registration and Scholarships

Dianne reported that the registration numbers look good, especially for a tight budget year such as this one. Gail Burkett stated that no student scholarship winners would be in attendance this year; however, their schools would have a representative available to accept the awards. Gail will also be making a statement at the luncheon to try to encourage the more entries next year, including the math award.

Discussion: Treasurer's Report

Russell Takashima presented the Board with a report showing a current balance on 10/16/07 of \$20,432.63. Additionally, the scholarship fund has approximately \$19,000.00. Susan Taylor reported that as of today 11 institutions still have not paid dues. Following the conference, a reminder letter will be mailed.

Discussion: Membership

Lynn Blanton reported that as people arrive at the registration table they will be notified of their current membership status. The membership year is conference to conference. Dianne Kostelny offered to maintain the membership e-mail distribution list this coming year. She will communicate with Lynn to keep this list up-to-date.

Discussion: Newly Elected Board Members Welcomed

Nick Bekas, Lynn Blanton, Hubert Brown, Tammy Cherry, Janita Patrick, Diane Reese, Susan Taylor, Michelle Thompson (appointed)

Nick Bekas moved to appoint Shirley Rehberg to the Board; Laura Smith seconded, and the motion carried.

Dianne Kostelny will remain on the Board this year as past president. Her responsibilities will be to maintain and update the by-laws and the membership e-mail distribution list.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan H. Taylor