

SEFA Council Meeting Monday January 14, 2013 (conference call)

Council members present on the call: Jessica Wangelin, Kathryn Pantaleo, Furn Lorento, Cornelia Mead, Maria Harple, Wayne Rabideau, Nick LaMorte, Caroline Westbrook

Coordinators & Federation Representatives Present on the call: Ken Holmes, Joseph Guastella, Craig Collie, Curt Bailey, Kathy Snow, Cynthia Eberhart, Sophie Jouben, Tobi Darrah, Sheila O'Connor, Marilyn Wilson, Rodney Young/Marge McDuffey, Jack Goldstein, Cindy Tarleton, Meredith Jones, Regina Hendrix, Tom DeCoursey.

1. Roll Call (Suzanne Maloney) and Welcome (Nick LaMorte)
 - a. meeting convened the meeting at 1:39 pm
2. Approval of minutes of December 17, 2012
 - a. Request that Suzanne sign the minutes as she prepared them in the secretary's absence
 - b. Moved, seconded and unanimously agreed to adopt the 12/17/12 minutes.
3. Vote to seat the Council
 - a. Nick, Caroline, Kathryn, Furn, Maria, Marilyn and Jessica have received support from their Committees.
 - b. Moved, seconded and agreed to seat these Council members.
 - c. Some Council members have not yet received their Committee approval: Cornelia, Wayne, and Cherice. They will have to be voted in at a later meeting once their committees act.
 - d. We still have a Council vacancy in Region 5 – Westchester, Orange.
4. Statewide SEFA Council Orientation
 - a. Suzanne planned to schedule orientation conducted by attorney Dave Watson since he "knows the Regs." However he's not available.
 - b. Question – is Dave Watson still our attorney? Nick will look into this.
 - c. Question of legal representation tabled – we do not have an approved MOU with EarthShare yet.
5. Assessments:
 - a. Confusion over the listing of "Northern NY – St Lawrence" balance owed – Nick asked that they straighten this out with Suzanne, off the call.
6. Reminder about Committee budgets – due February 4th.
7. Reminder to send Suzanne copies of Committee by-laws.
8. Application Update
 - a. Suzanne reported that 25 applications have come in so far; it should pick up later.
9. Campaign update – Suzanne has requested final Campaign Reports by January 31st.
 - a. Capital Region reported that they are down about \$150,000 from last year, and last year they were down \$500,000 from the year before.

10. New Business

- a. In the Newsletter there is a new office location listed – has the SEFA office moved? Is this a possible location to hold meetings in? No – Suzanne is telecommuting from home, she has a new phone and mailing address, but it is just a mailing address.
- b. Meeting Dates – Joe G. would like the Council to consider holding a September meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 2:28 pm

Respectfully submitted, Cornelia Mead, secretary.

(revised 2/28/13)