

NEA-NH
Western Region Council Meeting
“Remote Session”
Monday, October 19, 2020

Future dates: November 16, 2020, December 14, 2020, January 25, 2021, March 15, 2021, April 12, 2021 and May 24, 2021

The following members were in attendance:

Jen Aiken – Fall Mountain SS, Jen Bewersdorf – Kearsarge EA, Pamala Custer – Hanover EA, Gwyn Dessert – Hanover SS, Lisa Ferrigno – Newport SS, Andrew Gamble – Lebanon EA, Kevin Hicks – Fall Mountain TA, Karen Ladd -NEA Univserv Director, Donna Beth Murphy – Kearsarge EA, Kim Saunders – Lebanon SS, Theresa Scott – Newport SS, Cathy Stephens - Fall Mountain TA, Casey Sylvain – Grantham EA, Tammy Yates – Sugar River EA

- Review and approval of the minutes from September 21, 2020: Motion by Lisa, Seconded by Kevin: Approved
- Treasurer: Proposed Budget: Terrie Scott
 - Suggesting that we move money to Scholarships, i.e. RA
 - Consider moving money toward food (\$1,000) beginning in January
 - Increase the amount of money for the Golf Tournament from \$250.00 to \$750.00
 - Supplies = \$250.00
- Cathy Stephens made a motion to accept the budget as proposed, Tammy Yates seconded = Passed
- Region membership is 1,438, which is 22 more than last year 😊
- Uniserv Director Update: Karen Ladd
 - Provided quick update regarding negotiations
 - CBA Language is very important
 - Length of CBA is concerning as the current conditions may lead to 1 year contracts as opposed to 2, or 3. While we don't typically prefer a 1 year agreement you still want to remain under contract and not fall into Status Quo
 - NH Retirement rate is increasing
 - Shared the COVID flow chart of possibilities
 - An e-mail was sent regarding the teleconference being held tomorrow night
- Executive Board Update: Jen Bewersdorf
 - The upcoming RA is scheduled to be in Denver, CO
 - The following year (tentatively) Dallas, Texas
 - Membership update: Still waiting 2019 – 2020 Increase of 20 full time employees
 - Court decision regarding COVID release funds: still not completely clear on how the money is going to be spent
 - 80,000 absentee ballots have been requested, only 20% have been returned (mostly democrats)

- 6:32: Terri Scott motion to adjourn: Donna Beth Murphy, seconded by → Passed!