

**CEASD Board of Directors Meeting
Scottsdale, AZ
October 21 & 22, 2007**

Members Present: James E. Tucker, Ed Bosso, Claire Bugen, Fern Reisinger, Pam Shaw, Joseph J. Innes, Steve Gettel, Ronald Stern, Clark Brooke, Ed Peltier, Sydney Dickerson, Cynthia Ashby, Michael J. Bello. John Tiffany, Sean Virnig

Also Present: Joseph P. Finnegan, Jr., Barbara Raimondo

The meeting was called to order at 2:09 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes of Previous Board Meeting
(May 4, 2007-Ellicott City, MD)(Attachment A):**

F. Reisinger

Sean Virnig moved to approve the minutes as read
Cynthia Ashby seconded the motion

President's Report:

J. Tucker

Jamie reflected that his term is almost over. Accomplishments include:

- Oversight of two CEASD conferences: Riverside, CA and Ellicott City-Sponsored by Gallaudet University
- Letters of support to Idaho, Oregon Gallaudet and N. Dakota

Discussed that Gallaudet University will begin their search process for the next President

Complimented Joe Finnegan and Barbara Raimondo for their work

Achieved increased visibility of the CEASD Executive Director (Joe Finnegan)

Joe Fischgrund is actively engaged in the government relations committee

Clark Brook is leading the effort for developing strategic plans for CEASD

Jamie noted there are nine new super indents at schools for the deaf since last May

Jamie is encouraging those superintendents to attend the CEASD conference in Montana

Joe Finnegan always sends a letter to new superintendents informing them about CEASD

President Elect's Report:

E. Bosso

Conference planning includes regular communication with Steve Gettel (Montana)

The conference will focus on:

- Changing leadership (Challenges, Opportunities and Burden)
- Offer more opportunities to network
- George Corrick of U of N. FL will provide some training
- Government affairs report needs to be given in depth: Plenary session
- Early literacy /early intervention
- Screening/identification to service
- CAEBER
- Strategic plan: engaging our membership with our work

Treasurer's Report:

M. Bello

- a. Financial Statement: FY 2006-2007 (Attachment B)
- b. Budget: FY 2007-2008 (Attachment C)
- c. Current Financial Statement: (Attachment D)

Government Relations Report: (Attachment – E)

B. Raimondo

12 states are planning to have training by NASDSE

Discussions on the challenges of working with NASDSE and obtaining the power point, which outlines the training

NAD position paper: There is a need to strengthen the document. Continue to give feedback to Barb Raimondo.

Executive Director's Report: (Attachment – F)

J. Finnegan, Jr.

2008 NASDSE conference: South Carolina - Oct 18, 2008-Oct 20,2008

Board should arrive and meet Sat. Plan to participate with NASDE on Sunday and leave on Monday

CAID wants to host their next conference in 2009

Discussion on the future of Deaf Education:

- Too many "frameworks" including NAD position paper, Summits, National Agenda, etc.
- Create a boilerplate
- Look for commonalities in all the documents that address deaf education
- Concerned about funding

Should CEASD provide training: related to the future of deaf education?

Define purpose/role of center schools

Many schools pay dues after the first of the year

Old Business

2007 Annual Conference

**J. Innes
E. Bosso**

Feedback on the conference was positive

Speaker who spoke on diversity wants to come to Gallaudet

Reflected on use of CART and interpreters

ICED conferences: will CEASD have a role?

2008 Annual Conference

**S. Gettel
E. Bosso**

Handouts

Steve Gettel referred to Ed 's report

Concerned about availability of quality interpreters

Suggested we ask CEASD to send letter to Gallaudet University, NTID and CSUNt o sponsor the conference by providing interpreting services.

Summit begins on Wed. prior to the CEASD conference. The board could meet on Thursday –Friday and again Monday, if needed, after the conference.

2009 Annual Conference

Ron Stern

Host: New Mexico School for the Deaf

Handout: tentative schedule

Discussion: location of conferences and accommodations

April 30-May 4

Hosts for Future CEASD conferences

J. Finnegan

- 2010 Iowa same year as ICED
- 2011 Hawaii School for the Deaf
- 2012 Delaware School for the Deaf or American School for the Deaf/CT
- 2013 Delaware School for the Deaf or American School for the Deaf/CT

Oklahoma is hosting the ASDC conference in 2009 and has expressed interest in hosting a CEASD conference.

National Summit

**R. Stern
C. Bugen
J. Finnegan**

Summit – link with CEASD

Deaf Ed person from the state would collaborate with the host school

ASDC added as representative on the Planning Committee

Meeting by phone once a month

Communication via e-mail

There is financial support from OSEP but only for one year

CEASD continues to provide financial support

There is concern that a lack of sensitivity for the deaf child's need exists; feel there is a need to include deaf adults in these collaborative meetings

At the summit last year there appears to have been a format that did not allow for deaf people to actively participate

There is a need to increase parental involvement

NEW BUSINESS

Redefining Clerc Center Mission

C. Bugen

Refer to handout

Discussion tabled to Sunday to give board members opportunity to read handouts

Committee Reports (Attachment G)

See Attachments

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Accreditation of Schools

**C. Bugen
J. Finnegan**

Joe will send out letters to schools to encourage participation.

Should schools with day programs participate in the accreditation process? (University High School was cited as an example)

Encourage dual process: State or Regional accreditation group AND CEASD

Obtain testimonials about joint process from schools that have already participated in this process

Committee report accepted

Educational Policy and Practices

H. Klopping

Does this committee need to continue?

Use the strategic planning committee to review this

Ethnic and Multicultural Concerns

C. Ashby

No report

Honors and Awards

S. Gettel

Refer to handout

More recognition for members?

Superintendents to make effort to introduce leaders

Government Affairs

J. Fischgrund

B. Raimondo

No additional reports

Nominations and Elections

H. Mowl

No report

Residential Programs

E. Peltier

No report

AAD

E. Corbett

J. Finnegan

Meeting held during CAID conference

Don Moores, John Van Cleve and Joe Finnegan, Ed Corbett and Jeanne Prickett (3

CEASD reps) met with CAID reps

Approximately 5 - 6years ago agreement is that Gallaudet would not charge CEASD for publication of annual reference book

Don Moores moved to FL but will continue as editor for the AAD

CAID noted they want more teacher friendly articles, less research and more focus on what happens in the classroom.

Determine date for next meeting

CED

J. Finnegan

U of Tenn. hosted Sept meeting. NAD also now has an active role. Joe is treasurer.

The next meeting is in Feb. in Monterey, CA.

There is a new CED new web site.

Karen Dilka from E. KY University is the new Ex. Director of CED.

Teacher certification is low

DHHA

B. Raimondo

No additional reports

Date and Location of Spring Board Meeting

J. Finnegan

Information forthcoming

Meeting adjourned 5:39 p.m.

October 22, 2007

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Joe Finnegan made a report as follows:

Since May 2007 the following schools have new superintendents:

West Virginia, Oregon, South Carolina, Utah, Scranton, R.I., South Dakota, Vermont, Clarke School

The following schools have vacancies:

WA, MS, Louisiana, PSD, Delaware, Clerc Center, Florida

The following schools have shut down or have a questionable future:

ND

Idaho

SD

WA

Detroit Day School

St. John (closed)

Nebraska (closed)

Central NC (closed)

Mystic (closed)

VSD (Hampton-closed)

Wyoming (closed)

Boston School for the Deaf (closed)

Crotched Mountain (New Hampshire-closed)

New Schools (mostly Charter Schools) that have opened:

Minn. Metro

Dallas (struggling)

Program in Utah (1)

Program in Colorado (1)

Program in Las Vegas (1)

General Information:

Oregon has renewed their membership with CEASD. There are plans to move the Deaf/Blind students to their campus

Ohio announced they will build two new campuses (school for the deaf and school for the blind) with the same amount of funds that was allocated for the merging of campus programs

Idaho: task force still working out on issues of moving from Gooding to another part of the state

David Stockford from Maine (State Special Education Director and NASDSE Board member) invited CEASD board to be recognized at NASDSE.

Discussion of regional, national and international programs at Gallaudet University under the leadership of Dr. Asiah Mason. Gallaudet will soon announce the new director of GLI who will report to Dr. Innes.

Discussion about giving ICED an opportunity to have a booth at the CEASD conference in Montana.

Meeting moved to discuss Clerc Center paper. There is a move to redefine the mission and purpose for the Laurent Clerc Center. CEASD is being given the opportunity to provide input. After much discussion it was agreed that Jamie Tucker would contact Stephen Weiner (Provost) to find out what they are seeking from CEASD in terms of feedback, input and support.

The board spent the rest of the morning reviewing strategic plans for CEASD. The strategic plan will be on ongoing process and should be part of every board meeting.

Meeting adjourned 11: 55 a.m.