

MINUTES
Lakeland Conference
Administrator's Meeting
Lehman's Supper Club

October, 15 2013

9:15 AM – Coffee/Rolls, 9:30 AM - Meeting

A. Roll Call (9:30am):

Birchwood - Frank

Bruce - Joni

Cameron – Randy

Cameron - Joe

Clayton - Cathy

Clear Lake - Brad

Cornell - Paul

Flambeau - Matt

Frederic – Josh

Grantsburg - Joni

Lake Holcombe - Tom

Luck - Rick

New Auburn - Brian

Northwood - Jean

Prairie Farm - Patrick

St. Croix Falls - Glenn

Shell Lake - Jim

Siren - Scott

Turtle Lake - Morrie

Unity - Brandon

Webster - Jim

Winter - Penny

B. Approval of Minutes – A motion to approve the minutes was made by Cornell and seconded by Cameron. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Approval of Treasurer's Report–The Treasurer's Report was approved after a motion by Cornell and a second by Cameron. The report was presented and included the first installment for the Commissioner, the remaining receipt of district dues, and the payment to the principal's group.

D. Items as Proposed by Member(s):

1. Ratify action taken by the officers to send flowers.

The action was approved unanimously after a motion by Cameron and a second by Clear Lake.

2. Review of and Possible Action on Lakeland Conference Principal Minutes

* Three person officiating crew for basketball

There was considerable discussion regarding the reasons for and against having three person officiating crews. There were some who questioned the quality of the officiating in comparison to the increase in cost. Additionally, it seemed as though the situation could have been created by the WIAA requiring three person crews at the state tournament. There was some discussion as to whether the Constitution authorized the Conference dictating the practice or whether it was a local school concern.

There was a motion by Cornell and a second by St. Croix Falls to deny the use of the three person officiating crews. After additional discussion there was a call to question. The motion failed by a vote of 4 "yes" and 8 "no."

There was a motion by New Auburn and a second by Webster to authorize the use of a basketball three person officiating crew in the 2014-2015 season on a trial basis for conference games, at \$65, no mileage pay, and the coverage of double-headers. There was some discussion that the Conference Commissioner would provide a report after the season to share the availability of officiating crews and coach feedback regarding the change. The motion passed by a vote of 9 "yes" and 3 "no."

* Mellen joining as non-conference team in 8-Man football for 2014

There was some discussion about including Mellen in the 8-Player Football conference for 2014. This would create some potential for a bye week for the teams. After some further discussion regarding when the WIAA might have a post-season tournament, and the

placement of goal posts on the field, there was a motion by Cornell and a second by Luck to allow Mellen to play in the conference for 2014. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Selection of Valedictorian and Salutatorian (Jim Shell Lake)

Shell Lake asked some questions regarding the practice of multiple valedictorians. The practice is common, but there are some details that differ between Districts. Districts can share their policies with Shell Lake.

4. Health Care meeting.

There was a meeting regarding Health Insurance with a guest presenter, Johnson Insurance, that followed after the meeting.

E. Special Guest = Steve Craker (Act 32 Revenue Exemption for Energy Projects)

CESA 10 presented some information regarding the Revenue Limit Exemption for Energy Projects, which is authorized by Act 32. They are licensed, bonded, and available to help districts determine a course of action to update infrastructure and to create savings through reduced energy costs.

F. Cracker Barrel:

Cameron- Upcoming referendum for new elementary school and football stadium, \$23.5 million on November 5th.

Clayton- The usage of stipends or other alternative compensation systems to help fill positions with a shortage of qualified candidates.

Clear Lake- Track surfaces, asphalt or rubberized.

Clayton- Considering under-levying.

Luck- Governor's funding proposal to provide relief to taxpayers.

St. Croix Falls- HRA/HSA third party administrators.

Unity- Considering under-levying.

G. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Clear Lake, seconded by Frederic. Motion passed unanimously.