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NEBRASKA EDUCATIONAL OFFICE PROFESSIONALS ASSOCIATION
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
Friday, April 11, 2014
Southeast Community College, Lincoln, NE

The April 11, 2014, General Meeting of the Nebraska Educational Office Professionals Association was called to order by President Gretchen Walker at 11:35 a.m.

Roll Call

Local Association	Attendance
Nebraska Department of Education (NDE Bridge)	10
Lincoln Public Schools (LPSAOP)	24
NEOPA Past Presidents	9
Omaha Public Schools (OEOPA)	6
University of Nebraska (UNOPA)	13
Wayne State College (WEOPA)	3
<i>FROLIKers</i> (UNOPA Past Presidents)	7
Members with No Local Affiliation	1

A quorum (10% of membership) was established.

Minutes – Denise Fisher

The minutes of the October 18, 2103, general membership meeting were presented via written report.

*Motion by Amy Chandler, second by Tricia Liedle: To approve the minutes as written.
The motion passed.*

Treasurer’s Report – Linda Luedtke (absent)

The Treasurer’s Report was presented via written report. The report will be filed for audit.

Communications/Announcements – Gretchen Walker:

- President Walker thanked the Past Presidents for sponsoring the 50th Anniversary Celebration at Windsor Stables April 10, 2014. As a thank you to NEOPA members, the meal was provided at no cost. Charter Member, Pat Lundahl, was awarded an honorary membership in NEOPA during the dinner.

ELECTED OFFICER REPORTS

President, Gretchen Walker

- President Walker announced the fall conference will be held at Wayne State College in Wayne, Nebraska, on October 24.

President-elect/Membership – Mary Guest

Committee members were thanked for their service. The current membership of NEOPA consists of:

174	Active
16	Honorary
<u>2</u>	<u>Associate</u>
192	TOTAL

Vice President/Meetings Coordinator – Cathy Robertson

- Today's conference was hosted by NDE BRIDGE. Heather Richey, President of NDE BRIDGE, served as Chair
- The Fall 2014 conference will be hosted by WEOPA (Wayne State College) on October 24
- The Spring 2015 conference, sponsored by LPSAOP, will include the Central Area Spring Institute in Lincoln, Nebraska

Secretary – Denise Fisher

No report.

Treasurer's Report – Linda Luedtke (absent)

No report.

Past President/Field Service – Joyce Trevett

No report.

Presidential Advisor – Lola Young (absent)

Lola Young encouraged members to consider attending the NAEOP National Conference in Portland, Oregon, this year. Information about the conference was provided by Lola Young.

DIRECTOR REPORTS

Awards – Joan Wilkins

- 2014 Student Scholarship winner, Austin Partridge, was recognized. He was present and thanked NEOPA for their support of his education journey.
- Professional Growth Award winners were Tricia Parker-Siemers (\$100); Jeanette pearly (\$75); Barb Homer and Carol Thompson (\$50 each).

Bylaws – Rhonda Meyer

Members were provided draft proposals of the Bylaws and Board restructuring for review. Town hall meetings will be scheduled for members to attend to ask questions and provide input.

Finance & Records – Linda Luedtke (absent)

Mary Guest presented the 2014-15 Budget for NEOPA to the membership.

Motion by Lola Young, second by Cathy Robertson: To approved the 2014-15 budget as proposed. The motion passed.

Information Technology and Newsletter – Diane Wasser

- Articles for the newsletter will be accepted through May 1, 2014

Nomination – Carol Bom

Carol Bom reported on the election results of 2014-15 officers: Denise Fisher, President-Elect; and Cathy Robertson, Vice President, Meetings Coordinator; Joan Wilkins, Secretary.

Carol Bom also reported that the tagline selected by the membership was: *Growing Together, Empowering Each Other*

Motion by Carol Bom, second by Cathy Robertson: to destroy the ballots cast for the 2014-15 election of officers and tagline. The motion passed.

PSP/NAEOP Liaison – Debbie Hendricks

- During the luncheon today, PSP awards will be given to 7 new recipients, 1 upgraded recipients, and 8 recertifying recipients.

Ways and Means – Sue Gilleland

- Fundraiser activities today include basket raffles and 50-50.
- Thirty-One Bags will be sold through April 25, 2014.

Past President – Joyce Trevett

No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Mary Guest reminded members to review the Board restructuring and the proposed Bylaw changes. Members are encouraged to provide input and feedback and to note that the proposals include a streamlined version of the Board and the functions of NEOPA.
- President Walker announced that all local affiliates have voted to support Nebraska's application to host the 2017 National Association of Educational Office Professionals annual conference.
- Mary Guest informed the membership that the addition of a Blog to the NEOPA website will be added this year with Carol Bom leading the Communication Committee.
- Members were again reminded that the spring 2015 conference will include the Central Area Institute.
- Diane Dickey, Chair of the Past Presidents, thanked the membership for attending the 50th Anniversary dinner.

ADJOURNMENT

The next scheduled NEOPA General Membership meeting will be held on Friday, October 24, 2014, in Wayne, Nebraska. The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m. by President Walker.