

2012 Student Education Association of Nebraska Delegate Assembly – Minutes

Nebraska State Education Association building – Saturday, March 31, 2012

Welcome & Announcements

Patrick White, SEAN President

Pledge of Allegiance

Megan Brown, SEAN Vice-President

Welcome-Opening Remarks

Nancy Fulton, NSEA President

Parliamentary Procedure Tips

John Heineman, Parliamentarian

SEAN President Patrick White Officially Calls the Delegate Assembly to Order at 10:13 AM

Roll Call – Declaration of Quorum

College of Saint Mary: 2
Creighton University: 0
Grace University: 0
University of Nebraska at Omaha: 0
Midland University: 0
Northeast Community College: 3
Wayne State College: 2
Peru State College 10
University of Nebraska at Lincoln: 5
Wesleyan University: 2
Chadron State College: 1
Hastings College: 1

Quorum established with 26

Adoption of Agenda

- Andrea Hoffman, NECC, moves
- SEAN Northeast Regional Representative Matthew Meyer, WSC, seconds
- Vote is unanimous to adopt agenda

Adoption of Rules of the Day

- SEAN Northeast Region Representative Matthew Meyer, WSC, moves
- Melissa Sorenson, NWU, seconds
- Vote is unanimous to adopt Rules of the Day

Report of Chapter Excellence Awards Committee by SEAN President Patrick White

- Peru State College receives Chapter Excellence Award

- President of the Peru State College SEAN chapter Megan Brown accepts on Peru State College's behalf

Report of Bylaws & Resolutions Committee by SEAN Vice-President Megan Brown

- SEAN Vice President Megan introduces the bylaws changes that have been approved by 2011-2012 Executive Committee

Report of Membership Committee by SEAN President Patrick White

- Nebraska is in the top ten in the nation in terms of membership
- Nebraska is listed as 9th in the nation for membership
- SEAN currently has 1,579 members

Report on the Outreach to Teach Project by SEAN Underclass Representative Ryan Evans

- Outreach to Teach 2011 was at Howard Elementary in Grand Island
- Outreach to Teach 2012 will be in the Northeast Region

Report of Scholarship Committee by SEAN Underclass Representative Ryan Evans

- Underclass Scholarship Winner: Katie Bennett of Wayne State College
- Nebraska State Education Association – Retired Vice-President Tom Black Announces the 2012/2013 SEAN/NSEA – Retired Scholarship Recipients:
 - Devin Garcia of Peru State College
 - Brittnie Kreikemeier of Nebraska Wesleyan University
 - Mellissa Sorensen of Nebraska Wesleyan University

State/National Report by SEAN President Patrick White

Parliamentarian John Heineman asks to speak to the floor

Accepted by Patrick White

SEAN President Patrick White announces break at 10:48 AM to discuss potential resolutions/bylaws/new business items and fill out candidacy forms, return in 15 minutes

SEAN Delegate Assembly called back to order by SEAN President Patrick White at 11:12 AM

Introduction of Proposed Resolutions

New Resolution # 1 moved by Jim Bunch:

Be it resolved that SEAN supports efforts that advocate the continuing professionalism of Para educators, including the support for adequate salaries and continuing education. As the population of exceptional learners continues to increase in school classrooms it is important to support the need for trained professionals to assist classroom teachers. Any attempts to decrease salaries, benefits, and tuition assistance, or otherwise negatively impact the ability of Para professionals to be adequately compensated should be resisted.

- L.A. Adams seconds.
- Jim Bunch speaks to his motion.
- Point of clarification for SEAN Underclass Representative Ryan Evans: “Can our group support this?”
- Jim Bunch responds.
- Point of clarification for SEAN Northeast Region Representative Matthew Meyer: “What can be done to fulfill this resolution?”
- Jim Bunch responds.
- Point of clarification for SEAN President Patrick White: “Where would the proposed resolution be placed?”
- Jim Bunch responds: “It would be inserted in Article A, Section 9.”
- SEAN Vice-President Megan Brown speaks in favor of the resolution.
- Vote to add resolution passes unanimously.

Debate/Voting on SEAN Continuing Resolutions

- SEAN Vice-President Megan Brown moves to approve the 2012 Continuing Resolutions.
- Rae Carbaugh seconds.
- SEAN President Patrick White asks if any of the delegates would like to pull a resolution.
- Jim Bunch pulls Article E, Section 5 for discussion.
- Jim Bunch moves to amend and change the word “computer” to “technology”, computer appears three times in the current resolution:

E.5. Computer Literacy: SEAN recognizes the increasing effect of computers in our lives and supports computer literacy in school curriculum. (83,88)

- Melissa Sorenson seconds.
- Vote passes unanimously.
- Rae Carbaugh pulls Article F Section 7 and would like to add questioning following the word “transgender”.
- Rae moves to amend current resolution to add wording of questioning:

F.7. SEAN supports a safe place for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and ally students and teacher to learn and teach.

- Asia Berg seconds.
- Vote passes unanimously.
- Motion by SEAN Northeast Region Representative Matt Meyer to approve the 2012 Continuing Resolutions.
- Second by Andrea Hoffman
- Vote passes unanimously for approval of the 2012 Continuing Resolutions.

Debate/Voting on Proposed Bylaws Amendments

- Megan Brown moves to accept the proposed SEAN Executive Committee Bylaw Amendments.
- Megan speaks to motion.

- Vote passes unanimously to accept the proposed SEAN Executive Committee Bylaw Amendments.

Old Business

- No Old Business

Dues and Budget Report by SEAN Southeast Region Representative Devin Garcia

- Uniserv Director Gary Osborn and Devin Garcia report on the current and future budget.
- Devin Garcia on behalf of the budget committee moves to adopt the 2012-2013 SEAN Budget.
- Devin Garcia speaks to the movement, and proposed dues increase.
- SEAN Underclass Representative Ryan Evans speaks to the motion.
- SEAN Northeast Regional Representative Matthew Meyer speaks to the motion: "The increase of two dollars is virtually nothing per person, but a great increase to support our organization."
- Rae Carbaugh speaks in support of what Myer said and to the motion.
- Jenna Langemeier asks: "When was the last dues increase?"
- Gary Osborn responds: "The last increase was from \$10 to \$13 and was in the year 2008."
- Jim Bunch speaks regarding the mathematics of the increases and decreases.
- Gary Osborn speaks to clarify the math, and where the probabilities come from.
- SEAN Vice-President Megan Brown speak in favor of the dues increase.
- Jim Bunch speaks in favor of these changes to build up and support our organization.
- Matt Meyer moves to close debate.
- Rae Carbaugh seconds.
- Vote passes unanimously to close debate.
- Vote to increase state dues by two dollars passes unanimously.

SEAN President Patrick White calls for a break for lunch at 11:43 AM. Delegate Assembly will adjourn at 1:45 PM. White announces that delegates should return to the board room at 12:45 PM for Jay Sear's presentation.

- SEAN President Patrick White calls the Delegate Assembly to order at 1:28 PM

SEAN State Officers Election - SEAN President (2012-2013) Election

- 2011-2012 SEAN President Patrick White calls for nominations
- 2011-2012 SEAN Vice-President Megan Brown nominated by Tiffany Streater
- 2011-2012 SEAN President Patrick White nominated by Jenny Rockwell
- Speeches for SEAN President
 - Megan Brown - 10
 - Patrick White - 16
- Voting for SEAN President (2012-2013)
- Parliamentarian John Heineman announces results for the 2012-2013 Presidential Election: "The 2012 SEAN Delegate Assembly has reelected Patrick White as the 2012-2013 SEAN President"

SEAN Vice-President (2012-2013) Election

- SEAN President Patrick White calls for nominations
- 2011-2012 SEAN Vice-President Megan Brown is nominated by Rae Carbaugh
- 2011-2012 SEAN Underclass Representative Ryan Evans is nominated by Asia Berg
- Gwen Moore is nominated by Andrea Hoffman
- Speeches for SEAN Vice-President
 - Megan Brown - 4
 - Ryan Evans - 11
 - Gwen Moore - 11
- Voting for SEAN Vice-President (2012-2013)
 - Runoff election is needed between Gwen (12) and Ryan(14).
 - Runoff election takes place.
 - Parliamentarian John Heineman announces results for the 2012-2013 SEAN Vice-Presidential Election: "The 2012 SEAN Delegate Assembly has elected Ryan Evans as the 2012-2013 SEAN Vice-President.

SEAN Secretary (2012-2013) Election

- SEAN President Patrick White calls for nominations
- 2011-2012 SEAN Northeast Region Representative Matthew Meyer nominates Devin Garcia.
- Kori Duntz nominates Tiffany Streater.
- Asia Berg nominates Andrea Hoffman.
- Speeches for SEAN Secretary
 - Devin Garcia (13)
 - Tiffany Streater (7)
 - Andrea Hoffman (6)
- Voting for SEAN Secretary (2012-2013)
 - Runoff election is needed between Devin (18) and Tiffany (8).
 - Runoff election takes place.
 - Parliamentarian John Heineman announces results for the 2012-2013 SEAN Secretary Election: "The 2012 SEAN Delegate Assembly has elected Devin Garcia as the 2012-2013 SEAN Secretary.

SEAN Underclass Representative (2012-2013) Election

- SEAN President Patrick White calls for nominations
- 2011-2012 SEAN Underclass Representative Ryan Evans nominates Asia Berg.
- L.A. Adams nominates Rae Carbaugh
- Speeches for Underclass Representative
 - Asia Berg (13)
 - Rae Carbaugh (13)
- Voting for SEAN Underclass Representative
- A runoff election is needed.
- The runoff went into a tie, each person will receive one minute to address the Delegates.
 - Asia Berg (12)
 - Rae Carbaugh (14)

- Parliamentarian John Heineman announces results for the 2012-2013 SEAN Underclass Representative Election: “The 2012 SEAN Delegate Assembly has elected Rae Carbaugh as the 2012-2013 SEAN Underclass Representative.

SEAN President Patrick White splits the assembly into Regional Caucuses for elections of Regional Representatives

- Northeast Region met on 2nd Floor with Leann Widhalm presiding over the election.
- Metro Region met in the Café with John Heineman presiding over the election.
- Southeast Region met in the Board Room with Nancy Fulton presiding over the election.
- Western Region met on 4th Floor with Linda Freye presiding over the election.
- SEAN President Patrick White announces results:
 - Northeast – Gwen Moore
 - Southeast – Abbie Gabel
 - Metro - Vacant
 - Western - Vacant

Nominations, campaign speeches and election of NSEA DA delegates

- NSEA DA April 20-21 in La Vista Nebraska
- SEAN President Patrick White calls for nominations
- Rae Carbaugh nominates Megan Brown
- Andrea Hoffman nominates Gwen Moore
- Gwen Moore nominates Andrea Hoffman
- Matthew Meyer nominates Katie Bennett
- Megan Brown nominates Devin Garcia
- Devin Garcia nominates Ryan Evans
- Speeches
 - Megan Brown
 - Gwen Moore
 - Andrea Hoffman
 - Katie Bennet
 - Devin Garcia
 - Ryan Evans\
- Voting for NSEA DA Delegates
- D.A. Elects are: Megan Brown, Gwen Moore, Andrea Hoffman, Devin Garcia, Ryan Evans. Alternate: Katie Bennett

SEAN President Patrick White Recognizes RA delegates who are going to Washington D.C.:

- Megan Brown
- Devin Garcia
- L.A. Adams

Announcement of State Award Winners:

- Outstanding Newsletter- Peru State College

- Outstanding Underclassman Award- Rae Carbaugh
- Outstanding Student Leader Award – Megan Brown
- Local Excellence Award – Peru State College

President's Comments by SEAN President Patrick White

General Announcements

- Leadership Retreat coming up end of September
- Megan Brown – Peru State College will hold Pre-Professional Development Conference April 27

Passing of the gavel

Introduction of the new Executive Committee:

- Northeast Region Representative: Gwen Moore
- Southeast Region Representative: Abbie Gabel
- Underclass Representative: Rae Carbaugh
- Secretary: Devin Garcia
- Vice-President: Ryan Evans
- President: Patrick White

Adjournment

- Ryan Evans moves to adjourn.
- Devin Garcia seconds.
- Vote passes unanimously.