

SEANC District 47 Meeting Agenda and Minutes
November 10, 2005
SEANC Headquarters

- 1) Attendance – Kathy Cope, Ron Still and Doranna Anderson
- 2) Call to order at: 5:43 p.m.
- 3) Minutes: Doranna Anderson – Minutes were distributed for review and they were email to members prior to the meeting. Ron made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Kathy seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.
- 4) Financial: Doranna Anderson – No transactions have occurred since the last meeting.
- 5) Scholarship: Doranna Anderson – Doranna will become the new Scholarship Chair. Flyers for the raffle have been developed and were sent by email for comment. Suggestions have been included and the flyers are ready for printing. Doranna will copy and distribute. Ron attended the scholarship training, brought back materials, and will scan them for the internet site and will share his notes with Doranna. The web site (seanc47.org) has been updated with scholarship information.
- 6) EMPAC: Sidney Henderson – District 47 sold 20 Entertainment Books. We were asked to sell 10. We exceeded our objective! The funds for the project go directly to the contactor and not the district accounts. This is the last year to sell this books because next year they will cost \$35.00.
- 7) Vice-Chair: Edna Todd – No report.
- 8) Membership: Ron Still – District 47 is slowly losing members due to retirements, changes of payroll districts and employees leaving the service, as are all other districts. This is the norm. We lost two members, because they did not agree that we needed to take the political route in order to achieve our goal. On the other hand, we had two retirees sign up according to last month's membership report.

Two membership drives were held, one at Parker-Lincoln and one in Archdale. Ron spoke briefly to and handed out materials to 400 people, while they were waiting in the flu shot line. We received two applications.

The Art Museum was quiet as leaves falling off a tree but I was able to speak to 100-200 folks about SEANC and provide them a thought piece to take with them. The new figures are out: 2 new members, 2 transfers into the district, two changes of address, 21 not paying dues for some reason or bookkeeping error. I will request a copy of page 107 to find the rest of the names so we can follow-up. These copies have the telephone numbers which will make it easier to check on their status.

It has been proposed that each district let SEANC keep a small portion of their dues rebate for a mailing to all state employees who we not SEANC members. The \$60,000 was taken from reserves, rather than the district dues rebates. We have no financial obligation for the program.

- 9) Communication: Ronald Still – The \$107.40 internet service fee has been paid. Selective messages continue to go out regularly to district members from headquarters and original sent for our executive committee.
- 10) Community Service: Ronald Still – Basic Needs has benefited from several small volunteer groups coming in to volunteer over the past month. They just received photographs of the clothing project we support in Wayne County. Benefits are over \$2.1 million with the dept at \$56,500. After being challenged by the zoning enforcement officer about its 3.sq. ft. sign, it now

sports a nice legal 32 sq. foot sign in the front parking lot. Basic Needs had two case of fraud and four of theft in the past month.

- 11) Policy Platform: Edna Todd – No report.
- 12) Retiree: Doranna Anderson will become chair. She will mail minutes to all members who do not have email.
- 13) Communication-Statewide: Kathy Cope – They are in the process of voting on a new statewide chair person.
- 14) Insurance – Ron needs 40 copies of the insurance materials he to distribute. Steve will be asked to assist us with getting information to put links on the District Web site for members.
- 15) By Laws – Ronald Still – A copy of our revised by laws was sent to the state folks for review and hearing no comment, we will assume they are compliant. Since we have no word back from SEANC on the role of the Past Chair serving as delegate to the convention, Ron proposed a change to our current by laws as follows:

Current language:

District Past Chairperson.

The immediate District Past-Chairperson shall assigned appropriate duties by the District Chairperson, including performing advisory duties and assisting in the training of new officers.

New Language:

District Past Chairperson.

The immediate District Past-Chairperson shall assigned appropriate duties by the District Chairperson, including performing advisory duties, **servng as delegate** and assisting in the training of new officers.

Justification: The Past-Chairperson is to provide advisory services to the new chairman, including assurance and guidance to the new chairperson during the preparation for and during the convention.

- 16) Old business:
 - Flyers for Scholarship Raffle and Recruitment Contest were reviewed and approved for printing.
 - Membership recruitment – Kathy has planned an event with Lynn Cote at the Labor Building. Liberty Mutual will participate. Doranna and Kathy will go as District Reps. Doranna will develop a flyer. Steve is planning a membership drive at Parker Lincoln.
- 17) New business:
 - Media Contact – Ronald Still – Ron was interviewed by Channel 14 on the topic of teacher pay vs. state employee pay.
- 18) Meeting adjourned at: 6:55 p.m. Next meeting will be Jan. 12, 2006.

Submitted by: Doranna Anderson

