

**Florida Association of School Psychologists
Annual Business Meeting
St. Petersburg Bayfront Hilton
St. Petersburg, Florida
October 29, 2009**

I. Call to Order –

The meeting was called to order at 11:15 a.m. by President Underhill.

II. President's Report – Brad Underhill

President Underhill thanked the membership for their support and pointed out the many accomplishments of the organization during the past year.

He noted that currently there are 847 members of FASP and that there are 564 registrants attending the Annual Conference.

Underhill used a PowerPoint presentation to highlight some key points related to these accomplishments. He spotlighted the activities of the Legislative, Response to Intervention, Crisis Planning and Emotional Behavioral Disabilities Task Forces. He spoke about the Professional Development Blueprint and how the task forces are working to provide a planned sequence of professional development for their area.

Underhill indicated that FASP, through the Legislative Platform and the efforts of the Legislative Committee and our Lobbyists, Bob and John Cerra, worked to promote Anti Bullying Legislation, remove Amendments 5, 7 and 9 from the Florida Ballot, intensified efforts to have Corporal Punishment banned from the public schools of Florida, and nominated a FASP Member to the Suicide Prevention Board. He reported appearing on television, radio and in newspapers discussing banning corporal punishment in school and in support of anti bullying legislation

Underhill spoke about FASP's efforts to influence and support the implementation of the Florida DOE's SLD Rule Revision. He stated he has been in weekly contact with DOE Consultant David Wheeler and has met with Bambi Lochman, BEES Bureau Chief, to request and propose modifications to the rule. He stated that FASP strongly supports the implementation of RtI and the SLD Rule Revision in the state of Florida.

Underhill listed FASP's advances in technology as online registration for professional development activities, conducting elections, electronically transmitting the newsletter and the expansion of the FASP Flash as timely methods of communication with the membership.

Underhill stated he was looking forward to the coming year when he would be Past President.

III. Past President's Report – Josh Lutz

Lutz reported he has located and secured future sites for the 2010 and 2011 and 12 Summer Institutes (Tradewinds Resort) and the 2011-13, and 15 Annual Conferences (Omni Championsgate). He reported the Miami Hilton is the site of the 2010 FASP Conference.

He spoke to advertising and merchandise indicating this had been reorganized and had made a substantial profit.

Lutz reported, as chair of the Nominations and Elections Committee that 10% of the membership voted. He announced the results of the election as follows:

President Elect: Monica Murray
Northeast Regional Representative: Freda Reid
West Central Regional Representative: Roxanna Santos
Southeast Regional Representative: Kim Berryhill

IV. President Elect's Report – Mark Neely

Neely recognized his Conference Co-Chairs Maureen Montgomery and Leisa Everhart and thanked them for all their hard work and predicted a successful conference.

He reported he has attended many professional meetings on FASP'S behalf including training on MLA at NASP. As a result of this he was asked to promote and coordinate FASP's response to the MLA for which he brought together a task force to complete this task. He attended the CEES Legislative Training in March and the NASP Advocacy Training this summer. He encouraged more advocacy from our members to maintain our ability to influence legislation. He pledged his commitment to the implementation of RtI and continued exemplary professional development.

He introduced his FASP Executive Board for 2009-2010 to the FASP membership and announced Alberto Gamarra and Michelle Robertson Shepard as the 2010 Conference Co-Chairs.

Neely thanked Underhill again for his hard work and presented him with a plaque commemorating his presidency for 2009.

V. Secretary's Report – Gail Patterson

Patterson directed the membership to the visual presentation the minutes from the October 2008 FASP Annual Business Meeting. She requested corrections. None were forthcoming. She thanked the membership for their support. She stated there would be a motion to approve the minutes.

VI. Treasurer's Report – Amy Endsley

Endsley presented a Financial Balance Sheet to the board. She stated that the contracts for events, including rooms, were negotiated far in advance and did not account for the budget shortfalls we have experienced in the state which have dramatically affected school districts. She further stated that because of these and other unforeseen events we have a shortfall of funds.

VI. Action Items Related to Officer Reports

Motion #1– Move to approve the FASP 2008 Annual Business Meeting Minutes.

Motion by Endsley
Second by Donelson

Discussion - None
Motion passed

VII. Old Business

None

VIII. New Business

None

IX. Passing of the Gavel

Underhill stated that it was his pleasure to pass the gavel to Neely.

X. Adjournment

Neely reminds the membership of the evening events and invites them to participate.

The meeting was adjourned by President Neely at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Patterson, Secretary