

General Membership Meeting
Minutes of the Journalism Education Association
Seattle Convention, Sheraton Seattle
Friday, April 17, 1998

The meeting was called to order by H.L. Hall at 9:08 a.m.

Past President Candace Perkins Bowen called roll. In attendance were:

H.L. Hall, president
Rob Melton, vice president
Ann Visser, secretary
Candace Perkins Bowen, past president
Sister Rita Jeanne, FSPA, treasurer emeritus
Linda Puntney, JEA executive director
Connie Fulkerson, JEA administrative assistant
Bradley Wilson, *C:JET, NewsWire* editor
Susan Tantillo, Certification Commission chair
Jan Hensel, Development/Curriculum chair
Willie Wooten, Multicultural chair
John Bowen, Scholastic Press Rights chair
Jack Groves, Region 1/Northwest Regional Director
Tony Gomez, Region 2/Southwest Regional Director
Jack Kennedy, Region 3/North Central Regional Director
Kathy Craghead, Region 4/ South Central Regional Director
Sylvia Daughtry, Region 5/Southeast Regional Director
Betty Morton, Region 6/Mid-Atlantic and Great Lakes Regional Director
Barbara G. Flanagan Region 7/Northeast Regional Director
Louisa Caucia, Ad Hoc Board Member
Coy Henderson, Ad Hoc Board Member
Joe Nations, Ad Hoc Board Member
Roger Woo, Ad Hoc Board Member
Marilyn Mc Elroy, Awards Chair
Michele Dunaway, Junior High/Middle School Committee Chair
Diane Boyle, Nominations Chair
Norma Kneese, Outreach Chair
Diane Honda, Scholarship Chair
Leslie Shipp, Scholastic Journalism Week Chair
Pat Graff, NCTE Liaison/Assembly Director
Julie Dodd, Scholastic Press Association Directors Liaison

- Minutes and Summary of Board Action. Corrections to the minutes were noted by Visser. A summary of board action from Thursday's meeting was given.
- Reports - Reports from board members were available in the semiannual report.
- Convention Updates - Vince De Miero, Seattle local chair, updated the group on convention activities.

Craghead moved that De Miero and the local committee be commended for their wonderful welcome and hard work. Morton seconded. Motion carried.

- Headquarters/Financial report - Puntney. A \$22,512.73 profit was reported with biggest growth areas being conventions, publications, and dividends.
- President/Hall. He announced that *C:JET* is in the mail. Additionally, Perkins Bowen has had an article "What Are Your Students Publishing on the Web?" printed in the American Association of School Administrators publication.
- Financial Report/Sister Rita Jeanne. Sister reported on earnings from the portfolio and the scholarship fund.
- Vice President/Melton. He is creating a graphic that will show members exactly where their dollars are going. **State directors were reminded of the \$100 reimbursement for meeting convention criteria.

Daughtry moved that a collection be made as a contribution to the scholarship fund in the name of Fern Valentine's father who died yesterday. Morton amended the motion to be in memory of those who have lost family members during the past year, including Valentine's father, Yukihiko Yotsuya, Innes Mc Elrath Melton, John W. Kennedy, Barbara F. Kennedy, Clara Mae Jacobs, James W. Pilcher, Sr., Mary Patrick, Elizabeth Windsor, Ethel Maddy, and Allen Mc Million. Kennedy seconded. Motion carried. Over \$200 was collected.

- Regional Director Gomez announced a regional workshop in Las Vegas July 28-30. Puntney announced the Adviser's Institute workshop in D.C.; Flanagan announced the workshop in her northeast region July 19-23.
- Commission Chairs. Hensel announced the creation of the new teacher's packet. It is available in the bookstore. **Tantillo. The 523rd CJE, the 83rd MJE will be awarded in Seattle. **Wooten. The Multicultural Commission will share space with the booth. If anyone knows of candidates for the program, names should be submitted to Kneese. **Mc Elroy. The awards form for nominations is in the next *NewsWire*. She encouraged nominations by July 1. **Honda. Thirty-eight JOY entries were received. **Creation of a finance committee was approved at the Thursday board meeting. Interested members should apply to Hall. **Wilson. *NewsWire* and *C:JET* contributors are needed. **Graff announced the NCTE spring convention in Cincinnati. **Honda ... announced that Graff has been named a language arts finalist in the Disney Teacher of the Year competition.
- Adjournment.

Timm Pilcher moved to adjourn at 9:56 a.m. Honda seconded. Motion carried.