

FTA 2010 Annual Membership Meeting

Wednesday October 27, 2010

Hutchison High School

1. Meeting called to order by President RoseAnn Sample at 6:19 pm. A quorum was established.
2. Motion to approve the agenda was made by Dan Ramras and Joe Deutsch. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Motion to approve the minutes from the 2009 Annual Membership Meeting was made by Dan Ramras and Mary Matthews. Motion passed unanimously.
4. President's Greeting
 - a. RoseAnne Sample welcomed all those present and thanked everyone for taking the time to attend, and thanked all volunteers.
 - b. The annual report shows reports from each committee, as well as a financial statement for the full year of 2009 and year-to-date for 2010.
 - c. It has been suggested that the annual meeting be moved to later in winter to get a better picture of the year end finances, and this will be researched further.
5. Committee reports
 - a. These were submitted in writing and not read through verbally.
 - b. No questions were asked regarding the reports.
6. Awards/Recognition
 - a. Recognition of State High School Tennis Tournament Students
 - i. Kelsey Peterson received 2nd place for girls singles and is the first girl from Fairbanks to get to this level.
 - ii. Eric Ringstad placed 3rd
 - iii. Nick Raugust and Caitlin Deutsch placed 2nd for Mixed Doubles
 - iv. Jessica Boertje placed 3rd
 - b. Volunteer of the Year Award
 - i. The Ringstad Family has been volunteering for years for FTA, serving on committees, cleaning courts, assisting with classes and Kids Free Tennis. Ken Ringstad, Jason Ringstad and Eric Ringstad were honored with the Volunteer of the Year Award.
 - c. Arthur Ashe Award Recipients
 - i. Teresa Sample received a plaque for girls 11/12 in the Pacific Northwest Section.
 - ii. Kareena Bryson received a plaque for girls 13/14 in the Pacific Northwest Section.
7. Old Business
 - a. None Scheduled or brought forth
8. New Business
 - a. Recognition of retiring Board of Directors and staff members
 - i. Cindy Simpson has been the Office Assistant for FTA for over 3 years and will be moving out of state. Mary Matthews presented a gift of appreciation for being the "stabilizing force" for FTA.
 - ii. Linda English has been on the Board of Directors for 1 year and has served on the Development and Fund Raising Committees.
 - iii. Joe Deutsch has been on the Board of Directors for several years and most recently served at the Vice President. He has had a "calming effect" on the Board.
 - iv. Lou Gross has been of the Board of Directors for 6 years and has served on several committees and acted at the Treasurer. He was nominated and

accepted unto the Emeritus Board, which now has 3 members: Joe Sullivan, Gwen Ramras and Lou Gross.

- b. Election of Board Members for 2010-2011
 - i. Announcement that we are short on Board Members and that we can have between 4 and 21 members.
 - ii. Gwen Ramras nominated John Snyder to be added to the ballot. The nomination was seconded by Joe Sullivan.
 - iii. Motion by Dan Ramras and Joe Deutsch that nominations be closed and the secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for the nominees as listed on the Board of Directors ballot. Motion Passed unanimously.
 - iv. Names on ballot: Becky Lees, Diane Kardash, Clif Lando, John Snyder
 - c. Request of funds for Director Salary
 - i. RoseAnne honored the agreement with Dan and Gwen Ramras and request \$7500 in support of the Director salary. She thanked them for their support.
 - d. Gwen Ramras provided additional information about the Endowment and the founding members and showed the pins that the founders will be receiving. The founders are Carter Crawford, Dan Ramras, Mary Ann Hoffman, and one anonymous donor.
9. Member Comments
- a. Dan Ramras would like to have FTA set a goal to have a real street address and a physical space to handle business. Other suggestions from the floor included drawing our 'dream facility' to include in next year's annual report, and to work with the Borough to officially set aside the land, with an address so FTA can have a "Future Site of..." sign. A Motion to set a goal date was brought forth by Dan Ramras and seconded by Mary Matthews. The motion passed unanimously.
 - b. Terry Norman talked about tennis outreach to Manley Hot Springs school this summer, and her ideas and suggestions for expanding this type of program in the future. The cost would be relatively low, and FTA should consider leaving tennis balls, racquets and a tennis net at each location. Terry would like to offer this same program in Tok next year.
 - c. Dan Ramras also urged the Board to expand outreach, to groups such as Presbyterian Hospitality House, Boy Scouts/Girl Scouts, and possibly the summer camp of the Jewish Congregation.
10. Grand Door prize Drawing
- a. The Grand Door Prize to Chena Hot Springs was won by Ken Ringstad.
11. The meeting was adjourned.