

New Hampshire Association of Educational Office Professionals
Wednesday, October 27, 2021
Fall Business Meeting

Attendees: Deborah Brown, Gretchen Roussin-Drost, Patti Kallander, Deborah Tuite, Kim Perkins, Lisa Serard, Karen Milo, Joslyn LaPoisie, Jane Nichols, Dawn Bilski, Pam Patnode and Peggy Blaine

Deborah Brown, President, called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm.

Patti Kallander led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Gretchen Roussin-Drost offered the inspiration and shared her screen with the poem about a tree. "The tree stands so patiently, not asking, "What can I be? What can I be?" For a tree is as sure as a tree can be, that its purpose in life is to be a tree, without a doubt, it knows its worth. Roots delving deep into the Earth, Branches standing strong and proud, Pointing at the passing clouds, All of nature loves the tree, In its beautiful simplicity, and without speaking, it teaches me, To be happy with just being me.

Deborah Brown welcomed everyone and introduced the 2020-2022 officers:

President- Deborah L. Brown, SAU 301

President Elect - Gretchen Roussin-Drost, SAU 54

Vice-President - Patti Kallander, SAU 34

Treasurer - Lisa Moody, NH Dept. of Education

Secretary - Peggy Blaine, SAU 60

Member-at-Large - Deborah Tuite, SAU 21

A motion to accept the registration as roll call was made by Pam Patnode, second by Deborah Tuite.

Vote on the motion was passed unanimously.

Gretchen made the motion to approve the minutes of May 6, 2021 and motion was seconded by Deborah Tuite. Vote on the motion passed unanimously.

Deborah Tuite made the motion to accept as presented the Treasurer's report. Motion seconded by Deborah Brown. Vote on the motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

Our 70th Edith E. Hammond Conference is coming up May 4, 5, 6, 2022 at the North Conway Grand, North Conway, NH. The theme is yet to be determined. Deborah Brown explained that we have used the National theme to choose ours to go along with it. But this being our 70th

year celebration, we may want something to signify that. National theme, Deborah explained is L.E.A.R.N. Leadership • Education • Achievement • Recognition • Networking. The Conference Planning Committee will review and discussion this topic at their next meeting.

Executive Board elections will be held in the Spring at our conference. Our 2022-2024 slate of officers will be: Gretchen Roussin-Drost will move into the President position, Patti Kallander will move from Vice President to the President Elect position and Deborah Tuite will take the Vice President position. At this time, we are looking for nominations for Secretary, Treasurer and Member-at-Large. We are also looking for more members to join the current committees.

We also need a Website Manager to replace Pam Patnode who is stepping down. Lisa Serard spoke up and said she would like to do our web site. She has enjoyed doing the school web site in the past. Deborah said she should connect with Pam to get the info turned over so she will be able to manage our site.

Deborah also would like to increase our membership. Due to COVID and not having an in-person conference membership is down. Our usual attendance at the conference was 150 to 200. It would be really great to be able to get back to those numbers.

Fall Meeting Attendance raffle - 2022 Conference Package. Patti used the "raffle wheel" with names of those in attendance on the wheel. Peggy Blaine was the lucky winner!

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Patti Kallander and seconded by Deborah Tuite. Vote on the motion passed unanimously.
Deborah adjourned the meeting at 7:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Blaine, NHAEOP Secretary