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A meeting was held over Zoom beginning at 9:04 am. A quorum was established.

- I. Attendance: M. DaSilva, S. Stringer, B. Chidester, T. DelSanto, D. Achilli, B. Leger, J. Lawson, J. McDonald, L. Cadman, M. Camara, C. Munzert, C. Dutra, L. Berard, K. D'Angelo, J. Lafazia, C. Booth, A. Arsenault, K. Tompkinson
- II. Review Agenda
  - A. Dues Proposal
  - B. MOU Regarding Professional Development Days
- III. Dues Proposal presentation by treasurer
  - A. Rationale for Increase
    - 1. By-laws were updated with an increase in honorarium and building reps
    - 2. Expenses such as gift cards to families and socials
    - 3. Negotiation expenses
  - B. Proposed Increase
    - 1. NEA dues increased by \$2 and NEARI dues increased by \$10
    - 2. BWEA dues proposed increase \$890 (\$19 increase from previous year)
    - 3. Total dues proposed \$890 (increase of \$31 from previous year); pay period dues deduction proposed \$35.60 (increase of \$1.24 from previous year)
  - C. A detailed budget will be shared at September's meeting
  - D. J. Lawson motions to accept proposal; J. McDonald seconds. Vote: 16 for/1 against
- IV. MOU Regarding Professional Development Days
  - A. MOU regarding PD days was rolled over from the 2020-2021 school year. Dates come from administration. BWEA can negotiate how the days are scheduled.
    - 1. School will be held on November 24 and December 23
    - 2. Orientation days for students (kindergarten, 6th grade, and 9th grade) have been moved to staff orientation or PD days
    - 3. Principals have seen the MOU. Building representatives need to alert principals if PD/DL schedules violate the MOU.
    - Those teachers in co-hort 1 of LETRS training will not be responsible for meeting with students. Building administrators will share any PD information with them.
  - B. Grade 1 5 teachers were told to hold Google Meets to meet students during PD days, violating the MOU. Building representatives will speak with principals.
  - C. Teachers should NOT be volunteering for anything extra (including for pay) while negotiations are ongoing.
  - D. J. McDonald motions to accept the MOU; D. Achilli and C. Booth second. Vote: unanimous approval.

Meeting adjourned 10:10 am