

Germantown Education Commission  
Regular Meeting –January 21, 5:30 p.m.  
Minutes

Attendees:

Rebecca Guynes, Rocky Janda, Natalie Williams, Audrey Grossman, Barbara Boyer, Sue Sharp, Stephanie Van Arsdale, Mindy Fischer, Julie Ganey, Greg Garrison, Dino Palazzolo, Stacey Ewell

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mindy Fischer. A quorum was established.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes as amended from the January 2014 Education Commission meeting was made and seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Amendments consisted of adding Julie Ganey attendee list.

Old Business

Battle of the Brains – Dino Palazzolo reviewed feedback reports from participants. Stephanie Van Arsdale spoke about feedback from the judges. Overall, the experience was positive for everyone. Dino is seeking a grant from the Senior Citizen Advisory Commission to help support the Battle of the Brains.

New Business

Commission awards will be presented at the February 10 Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting to the following winners:

Youth Excellence Award – Nick Raoul Schwartz, MUS

Teacher of the Month – Sarita Bansal, GHS

Julie Ganey and Dino Palazzolo will be present to assist with presenting the awards.

Alderman Janda thanked past award presenters.

Alderman Janda asked that the commission consider allowing the Leadership Germantown Board to present their scholarships during the Education Celebration. A motion to allow the LG Board to present their two scholarships during the Education Celebration was made by Stephanie Van Arsdale. Dino Palazzolo offered the second. The motion was unanimously approved.

Education Celebration – The commission discussed options for an event speaker and settled on Jason Manuel as the first choice. If Jason can't accommodate, Jamie Woodson will be asked. Barbara Boyer will contact Superintendent Manuel. Mindy will prepare the program. Stephanie Van Arsdale will ask a strings group from HHS to provide entertainment during the reception. Greg Garrison offered to help with food.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.