

Germantown Education Commission

Special Meeting – July 27, 2009, 11:30 a.m.

Attendees

Eleanor Purdy, David Compton, Stacey Ewell, Stephanie Van Arsdale, Dino Palazzolo, Lesley Fluke, Carole Hinely, Melissa Walker, Bonnie Lee, Robyn Rudisill, Carol Wingfield

The meeting was called to order at 11:55 a.m. by Robyn Rudisill. A quorum was established.

Comments by the Chairman

Robyn announced that Abigail was absent because she was busy with a meeting of the State Board of Education text book committee. Congratulations to Abigail for this important appointment.

There was some discussion about teacher of the month sponsors. It seems that plans for sponsors are complete through the end of the year. A working list will be distributed at the August meeting.

Math and Science Competition

Dino and Stephanie distributed materials and gave an overview of the Germantown Education Commission “Battle of the Brains” Science and Math Competition scheduled for December 4.

There was some discussion about the need to incorporate OSHA rules regarding chemicals, plants and animals into the rules. As a result of these limitations, it was decided that judges will make site visits to completely understand and judge projects when necessary.

Robyn will contact Russo’s New York Pizza to get an estimate for catering the lunch for 150 people. Carole will contact local banks to see if any are interested in sponsoring the luncheon.

Three lottery prizes are still needed for the competition. Members were asked to come up with Germantown businesses that might be willing to donate a prize.

Eleanor suggested that we invite possible future donors to the awards ceremony.

Shelby County Consolidation Efforts

There was some discussion about a recent meeting with David Pickler about consolidation plans being discussed by the Shelby County Commission. Carole will have more information to share at the August meeting.

The commission will meet next at its regularly scheduled time, August 18, 6 p.m., in the Administration Conference Room at City Hall.