## FASP Annual Business Meeting November 11, 2004

- I. Call to Order the meeting was called to order at 11:22 a.m.
- II. President's Report Mary Alice Myers

President Myers thanked the membership for their support and pointed out the many accomplishments of the organization during the past year as showcased in the PowerPoint presentation. She thanked her Executive Board for 2003-2004 and the staff from her district for their hard work and support. She stated she was looking forward to the coming year when she would be Past President.

Myers also announced that FASP has recently entered into contractual relationships with Cerra Consulting to be our lobbyist and CAMCO to be our management group.

# III. Past President's Report - Freda Reid

Reid thanked all who supported her during her tenure and all previous FASP presidents and board members. She asked other members to become involved with the board. She conducted the 2004-2005 election, thanked all who ran and congratulated the winners. She also selected sites for Summer Institute and Fall Conference. The dates for Summer Institute are July 11-16th and the location is in Bonita Springs.

## IV. President Elect's Report - Hamilton "Kip" Emery

Emery thanked Bonnie Hegelmo for all her hard work on the conference. His goal this year is to get more involvement, especially from students. He is going to ask every board member have at least one student on each committee. He also discussed hurricane relief through CSFI. CSFI has awarded close to \$17,000 this year.

He presented a plaque to outgoing President Myers thanking her for her dedication and hard work.

Emery then introduced the 2004-2005 FASP Executive Board to the membership.

#### V. Secretary's Report - Patti Vickers

Vickers presented the minutes from the November 2003 FASP Annual Business Meeting.

#### **Motion #1** - To approve the minutes from the 2003 FASP Annual Business Meeting.

Discussion - None Motion by K. Leighton, seconded by Patterson Motion passed

## VI. Treasurer's Report - Jennifer Pic

Pic presented the Financial Report to the Membership. She discussed how the report is to be read. She indic ated the end of budget year will be Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> 2005and the new year will begin Feb.1st 2005.

#### VII. Old Business

Joe Jackson brought up a concern about state board rules that impact school psychologists greatly. He wants FASP to have the rules changed, particularly the 60 day rule for evaluations. He thinks this may an attempt to assist parents, but he feels it is not helpful. His second issue is the one related to parent requests to have an evaluation completed prior to interventions.

Myers asked if Jackson had talked to FDOE Consultant Bishop. He stated that he understands there is a Technical Assistance Paper on this subject coming out, but his concern is that the rule was passed. It was put into practice as of September 20, 2005. He feels we need to clarify the start and end date of the evaluation for parents.

Myers says that FASP is advocating for full interventions. She asked Jackson what else FASP could do to support that. He said that state rules need to be addressed. We have not lobbied the Florida State Board of Education, which needs to be done. It was shock to him that our voice was not heard at all. Myers stated she is glad that John Cerra, our lobbyist is present to hear this.

Myers thanked Phil Lazarus and Frank Zenere for all their work during the aftermath of the hurricanes.

#### VIII. New Business

Joe Jackson would like to see FASP advocate for comprehensive mental health services in schools. He states that it's a law in Hawaii and on the docket in California. He would like FASP to pull in other state associations to help with this. He feels this is being overlooked because of the emphasis on FCAT.

Past President Reid As chair of bylaws committee and Membership chair Endsley discussed a bylaws change. They are putting forth a motion from the Membership Committee of Executive Board regarding retired membership status. They used the PowerPoint to read the current bylaws and then read the proposed bylaws change as a motion.

The current bylaws state:

Article II, Section I. Item E. Retired Membership

Those eligible for retired membership are those who hold regular membership for a period of at least ten years preceding retirement from remunerative professional activity in school psychology or related services. The dues for such members shall be one-half that assessed for regular members. The Membership Chairperson shall be responsible for nominating such individuals to this status for Executive Board approval.

<u>Motion #2</u> – The FASP Executive Board moves for the following change to the FASP Bylaws for member approval:

Article II, Section I. Item E. Retired Membership:

Those eligible for retired membership are those who hold regular membership for five years and are retired from remunerative professional activity in school psychology or related services. The dues for retired members shall be fifty percent that assessed for regular members.

Motion by A. Endsley, seconded by F. Reid

Discussion: Rationale - This is a category where we don't have many members and we want to encourage retention of members as they retire.

Motion passed

# IX. Passing of the Gavel

Myers' stated that it was her pleasure to pass the gavel to Hamilton "Kip" Emery III.

Emery thanked Myers for all her hard work. He then recognized his supervisor, Steve Jones and the School Psychologists and secretarial staff from Charlotte County for their ongoing support.

# X. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patti Vickers, Secretary