

MTETA Chapter Meeting

October 17, 2018

Minutes

Call to Order/ Welcome and Introductions: Will Lockert

Approval of Agenda

Motion: Monte Tatom Second: Brad Luna Approved

Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes: Kathy Pryor, Secretary

[September 2018 MTETA Minutes](#)

Motion: Monte Tatom Second: Rhonda Bruce Approved

Treasurer's report: Johnny Sloan, Treasurer

- • Beginning balance reported at last meeting on Sept.19, 2018: \$11,585.53
- • Checks written and cleared bank account since last Report: \$970.01
 - Reimburse Will L. for drinks & plates: \$20.01
 - Lunch & Room - September 19, 2018 mtg: \$950.00
- • No Other expenses: \$0
- • No Deposits since last report: \$0
- • Checking and reconciled book balance as of 10/15/18: \$10,615.52

Motion: Brad Luna Second: Ben Barrett Approved

Ben Barrett asked all present to respond to the Survey for ITA 2019.

TETA Report: Joan Gray, TETA Executive Director

1. Requests for assistance with SWAG –
 - a. Bags for attendees – with zipper with inserts
 - i. Frisbee - TETC
 - ii. Water bottle - TETA
 - iii. Clips instead of lanyards – do we need lanyards?
 1. MTSU is not providing lanyards...
 2. Lanyards could be provided by a vendor
 - b. Attendance as of now – 900 – could be 1300 by conference.
 - c. Teacher Affiliate –membership –79 – up for renewal???
 - d. Teacher members are receiving another bag (laptop)
 - i. Color discussion –
 1. blue with white logo OR gray with blue
 2. Go with the blue bag for Teachers
 - e. T-shirt for teacher affiliate

2. Concern – school districts – call from Wayne Miller – past TOSS executive director. Recently retired.
 - a. Listening tour on testing – invitation only
 - b. Wayne was in charge of listening tour
 - c. State released a report – Mark Maddox, Weakley County, sent a report
 - d. Wayne Miller didn't want us to blind-sided – his take on issue – inequity in technology in school district
 - e. She explained that technology is not the problem.
 - f. 1:1 districts are better equipped for online testing
 - g. Our organization knows that technology is an instructional tool.... Not a testing tool.
 - h. Problems are listed – a good report and it lays blame on the district's technology infrastructure
 - i. Districts do not have confidence in the computers –
 - j. How often do students get access to a computer in a computer lab? This seems to be a state concern.
 - k. Number of devices is what the state believes the problem.

3. Map of Middle TN counties – membership committee
 - a. We need more representation from every school district in the state of TN.
 - b. We need those on the list serve.
 - c. Please reach out to districts – please ask all districts around your district and get them on the list serve - \$30 membership – not necessary to attend meetings.
 - d. Expand info within our organization

4. Online testing works in other states – what is different???

Old Business:

- **TETC 2018 Update; November 28th-30th**

Currently – registration is almost 900 – could reach 1300

Room blocks

Exhibit hall – sold out

Currently has a waiting list

Some vendors and districts reserve lots of rooms and may not need all of them.

3 keynotes – Eric Sheninger – administrator – forward leadership

Steve Dembo –

Kevin Honeycutt – closing keynote

Thursday night – dueling pianos /

Workshops: Google and Microsoft – have made

Makespace - still has openings

Leadership Summit – Tuesday – all day – 50 registered as of today.

TASL credit available and CEO credit

Extreme is bringing in Devin Akin – wireless workshop

On Wednesday a.m.

- [Registration link](#) & [Costs](#)

- [Vendor Exhibitor information](#)
- [Hotel information](#)
- [Leadership Summit](#) with Thomas Murray
 - Tuesday, November 27th

Vendor Partner Presentations:

LightSpeed- Tek

Troxell Communications

New Business:

- Recruitment Committee
 - [District Technology Directors list](#)
 - Testing information list serve
 - Please review –
 - We need everyone to help us with this project
 - [TETA Membership list](#)
 - [Map of region](#) to focus on those not represented within MTETA
- **Nominating Committee**
 - 2019 MTETA Officer suggestions
 - Committee recommends a slate of officers
 - No voting today – on the November agenda
 - 4 positions:
 - President Elect (2020) – James Marshall
 - Treasurer – Johnny Sloan
 - Secretary – Ben Lewis
 - Member at Large: Wayne Crouch
 - Past President – Will Lockert
 - President 2019 – Kathy Pryor

● **Monte Tatom mentioned an online community:**

Tech for Teachers at edweb.net

Online Community has webinars each month

Archive after the live webinar

Has a 5 question test for certificate of completion

- Remember our Twitter #TN_teta

Ben is working on social media connection for TETA

- eRate – June 30 – 80% school district --- due October 28
90% one more year.

Links:

- [EPIC Problems and Fixes sheet](#)
- [Mobile App/Favorite Tools sheet](#)
- [TDOE Newsletter Sign-Up Links](#)

Upcoming Events/Future Meetings:

- TETC Early Bird Registration deadline-- October 10th
- [TNReady District Survey](#) submission deadline-- October 31st – recommended by October 20
- November MTETA meeting-- Wednesday, November 14th @ [Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce](#)
- TETA Leadership Summit with Thomas Murray-- Tuesday, November 27th @ [Embassy Suites, Murfreesboro](#)
- TETC-- Tuesday*, November 27th - Friday, November 30th @ [Embassy Suites, Murfreesboro](#)
 - * pre-conference workshops begin on Tuesday, full conference begins on Wednesday
 - March 7 – ATA – MTSU
 - ITA – to be determined

Adjournment

Motion: Ben Lewis

Second: Johnny Sloan

Approved – Session adjourned

Lunch from Olive Garden

Officers for 2018:

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Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Pryor, Secretary