

Minutes from the emergency FOA Executive Committee Meeting held on August 1, 2015 in the Bayhill Meeting room at the Hilton Orlando, Orlando

In attendance: Valerie Terry, President; Jason Jerald, President-Elect; Donald Langland, Executive Director; Josh Bula, FMEA (via phone); absent - Nancy Beebe

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the confusion that was expressed at the FOA executive board meeting held the evening of July 31. There was discussion regarding comments and concerns from several district chairs regarding the new MPA online process of adjudicator selection following the meeting. Comments made during the meeting also were disconcerting, as they did not agree with the parameters that the executive committee had hoped the program would meet.

Valerie Terry shared a conversation that she had with Kathy Sanz, FSMA executive director, following the FOA executive board meeting. In that discussion, the question was asked if FOA had to participate in the process this school year. Would it be possible to step back and see how the process worked for FVA and FBA? Kathy responded that FSMA was not telling any of the components that they had to use the process; they were hoping to make it an easier process to procure adjudicators.

The executive committee discussed the process with Josh Bula over the phone and expressed their concern that the district chairs had not had enough training and the process was not set to the parameters that the Executive Committee had hoped they would be.

The decision was made to postpone FOA's participation in the MPA online adjudication selection process until the Executive Committee felt it was appropriately set up for FOA use.

Respectfully submitted,

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FOA Executive Director