

Tri-Valley Educational Collaborative

General Meeting

March 4, 2010- 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM

LVJUSD Board Room

MINUTES

Members Present: Attending: Kathy Adelman, Jacque Barker, Liz Buckley, Jim Caldwell, Elizabeth Calhoon, Amanda Carlson, Diane Centoni, Bryce Custodio, Gloria Da Silva, Julie Duncan, Deborah Evans, Ben Fobert, Holly Gallaway, Shay Galletti, Linda Gullick, Kim Halket, Susan Hayes, Todd Halvorson, Debbie Harvey, Jorja Ivie, Karen Jeffries, Ginny McGaha, Karen McMahon, Stephanie Mainoni, Steven Martin, Bob Middleton, Janice Noble, Denise Nathanson, Vicky Schellenberger, Greg Schroeder, Stacey Stein, David Stronck, Charlene Walker, Anne White, Nancy Wright, Kelly Zummo, Jackie Lawson, Andrea Olson, “Darla Bresit (?)”

Special Guests: Angie Son, Senior at Foothill High School & TVROP Student.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM and introductions were made by Dr. Noble.

II. TEC Logo Contest Winner

Kim Halket introduced Angie Son, the winner of the TEC Logo Contest. She is a senior at Foothill High School and a student in the TVROP Visual Communications class held at Dublin High School. She stated she has been accepted to Rhode Island School of Design and Pratt in New York, among other design schools, and has been offered numerous scholarships. Kim presented Angie with a \$100 contest award. Andrea Olson, representative from Assemblywoman Joan Buchanan’s office, presented her with an official Certificate of Congratulations from the Assemblywoman.

III. Minutes

The minutes from the February 4 meeting were reviewed. Diane Centoni moved to approve the minutes; Ginny McGaha seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

III. Presentation: DVD: “Celebrate What’s Right with the World” DeWitt Jones

“Celebrate What’s Right with the World” is a professional development DVD written and produced by DeWitt Jones, author of “*Everyday Creativity*.” TEC recently purchased the DVD and training materials for use by our members. The DVD was viewed at this meeting and afterwards, members broke into small groups for the training exercise covering concepts from the program. Several members have seen this or other DeWitt Jones productions in educational

conferences and gatherings. He is a photographer for National Geographic and encourages people to take what you have and be creative, celebrate abundance, look around and work with what we have in positive ways. Look at the situations in your daily lives through a different lens.

The premise of the program is that “when the vision is clear, then all is right with the world,” which is also the mission of National Geographic. Given the challenges facing our members in the education sector at this time, a motivational professional development presentation seemed timely.

Through extraordinary nature photography and video, Jones encourages people to see the possibilities “no matter how bleak and desolate a situation is.” There’s always a positive perspective that ‘transforms the ordinary into the extraordinary.’ He suggests starting with ‘what’s right’ instead of ‘what’s wrong’ with a situation- that by celebrating what’s right, we connect with our passion and get the energy to fix what’s wrong.

The DVD and training materials can be checked out by TEC members. Contact Susan for more information.

IV. Announcements

- Dr. Stronk- Biotech Education Program will be held at CSUEB. They are working with lots of high schools in the Tri-Valley. The program is made possible thanks to a generous donation from Genentech. Encouraging students in the sciences and as teachers is important- his dept will be half empty of credentialed teachers by the end of this year. The usual number of students entering credential programs – 400- will be down to 200 in 2010-2011. This effects funding.
- Julie Duncan- announced Carpenter’s Tour Week. For information on the schedule, contact Julie.
- Nancy Wright announced that online registration for LPC is available now.
- Health Quest will be held March 31 at Foothill High School.
- Summer Health Academy at LPC will be held the first 2 weeks of summer term, beginning June 16. Applications are now available.
- Assemblywoman Buchanan’s office is sponsoring the March 23 Job Fair which is open to all graduating seniors.

V. Members broke into their district teams and the meeting adjourned at 10 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Hayes