

Minutes of the Board Meeting
Florida Association of Science Teachers
January 9, 2010

ACCOUNT OF AGENDA

The meeting held in the Universal Doubletree Hotel, Orlando, Florida, was **called to order** at 9:09am by president, Brad Tanner.

Elected and Appointed Executive Officers' Reports

Secretary – Vivian Smithwick - The **minutes** of the August, 2009, meeting will be sent to Board members.

Treasurer – Linda Petuch - The treasurer's report was given.

President – Brad Tanner gave a report. Appointments by Brad: Steve Crandall is presidential advisor. Mark Lewis is 2010 conference chair. Mary Sullivan is vendor representative (conference).

Immediate Past President – Brad Tanner presented a report from Tom Medcalf.

President-Elect – Marsha Winegarner gave a report.

Executive Director – Dan McFarland gave a report.

OLD BUSINESS

Barbara Humphreys asked where we are with online conference registration. Barbara Rapoza will still assist coordinating registration; however, purchase orders are a problem. Barbara Humphreys indicated there is a web site set up, but not activated, for online registration.

BaP is now called Science Matters.

NEW BUSINESS

Mark Lewis, Program Specialist for Conference Committee, discussed the St. Augustine conference at World Golf Village (theme: "Navigating Through Science"). He reviewed the local committee questions and their rough draft of the 2010 schedule.

There was discussion concerning what to do with FAST funds, over and above what is needed for current operation costs. Current FAST operation costs were discussed, including award funding. Sunshine State Scholars funds should come out of the budget because it has been discontinued. Those funds will be applied to Student Competition Funding. Concerning \$25 science fair awards, one per science fair regional competition will be made available by FAST. Brad will ask Barbara Rapoza to ask FASS to give award money to FAST, so award recipients can receive one check, instead of two.

There was discussion concerning travel reimbursement for FAST Board members to attend meetings. The reimbursement request form does not reflect the same dollar amount that is in the budget. Additionally, it costs some members more to attend meetings, than others. Barbara Humphreys moved that a reimbursement schedule be established at the rate of \$25 for 1 – 100 miles; \$50 for 101 – 250 miles; and \$75 for 251 and above (stated mileage is one way). A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The budget was readjusted to allow for District V reception at NSTA National conference.

The budget line item was changed from Bob Bedford, to Government representation.

DOE Lesson Competition Allowance Vouchers has been removed from the budget.

A CD will be re-established with excess funds over and above operation costs and all expenditures will remain within the constraints of the budget.

Future meeting dates: March 27, 2010 in Tampa. The summer meeting is to be determined; the August 14th meeting will be in St. Augustine.

Brad Tanner asked if there is any interest in NSTA Science Communities. He will send information to the Board to determine if there is interest.

Elected and Appointed Executive Officers' Reports: From now on, reports should be submitted to the Board electronically and discussed at Board meetings.

Elected Officers' Reports: Area Director's reports were submitted.

Area 3 – Jacqua Ballas gave a report.

Area 4 – Submitted a report electronically.

Area 5 – Victor Hatfield gave a report.

Area 8 – Submitted a report electronically.

Area 10 – Shelby Mann gave a report. Barbara Humphreys presented additional information.

Area 11 – Joyce Bervaldi gave a report.

Appointed Officers' Reports: Division Representatives:

Middle/Jr.High – Leslie Pohley gave a report.

Informal – Karen Malesky gave a report.

Appointed Officers' Reports: Standing Committee Chairpersons

Membership – Joyce Bervaldi gave a report.

Nominations – Dan Surber gave a report.

Convention – Brad Tanner indicated the planning for the 2010 conference is underway, we are considering the TradeWinds in St. Petersburg for 2012, and we have already signed a contract for 2011 with Orlando DoubleTree

Awards – Sharon Cutler gave a report.

Auditing – Steve Crandall gave a report. The auditing committee includes Steve Crandall, Linda Petuch and Mark Lewis. The Board wants the signature card for the FAST main bank account ending in 3666, to include Brad Tanner, Linda Petuch, Steve Crandall, and Marsha Winegarner. The signature card for the FAST conference account ending in 3939, will include Brad Tanner, Mark Lewis, Linda Petuch and Steve Crandall.

Appointed Officers' Reports: Ad Hoc Committee Chairpersons

FCAT – Chris Harvey gave a report.

History and Necrology – Winnie Wilson gave a report.

Newsletter – Marsha Winegarner gave a report.

Webmaster – Barbara Humphreys gave a report. Jim Kelly (web site host) has been working on a members-only link to the web site. Modifications need final approval. Assigning ID numbers and cards to FAST members, was discussed. This will be done electronically. Joyce Bervardi and Barbara Humphreys will work on this. Send photo's to Barbara, if you want to update the web site.

Grants – Leslie Pohley gave a report.

The president, Brad Tanner, adjourned the meeting at 3:06 pm

Respectfully submitted 01-09-10

Vivian Smithwick, Secretary
for
Brad Tanner, President

ATTENDANCE

Marsha Winegarner
Dan McFarland
Jane Hart
Jacqua Ballas
Leslie Pohley
Brad Tanner
Shelby Mann
Karen Malesky
Victor J. Hatfield
Peggy Cook
Dan Surber
Winnie Wilson
Steve Crandall
Joyce Bervardi
Christopher Harvey
Mark Lewis
Barbara Humphreys
Linda Petuch
Sharon Cutler
Vivian Smithwick