Eastern Section Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 3-13-17
5PM
Siena Hall 217

Attendance: Katy Perry, Elisabeth Milot, Josh Conway, Leigh Feguer, Elaine Jetty, Arden Rauch, Christine Stankavich, Fran Lohnes, Joan Wagner, Kelly Ryan,

Absent: Becky Remis, Joan Wagner, Steve Fielman, Pat Price, Ted Simons, Maria Russo, Paul Nooney, Poul Carstens, Paul Levin, Ron Geuther, Tony Malikowski, Bill Brown, Laura VanGlad, Fred Pidgeon, Seema Rivera, Lorenz Herrmann, Jennifer Gecewicz, Tom Shiland, Deb Mabey,

Minutes from last meeting:
● Approve minutes as written, all in favor

Financial Report:
● Balance: The current balance is $6,484.49
● Ideas about spending some of our money:
  ○ Provide Sars with dinner at Siena
  ○ Sponsor a membership
  ○ Contest for different things - real winning
  ○ Membership management software (Wild Apricot)
  ○ Elections for state have gone electronically, why can’t we send state our ballots and have them send it to sections for elections to be collected by state secretary
  ○ We need to provide value to our members/nonmembers in the workshops we offer
  ○ Can we charge more heavily for nonmembers and a lot less for members to award memberships
  ○ CTLE credit offered to members
  ○ Provide outreach to more people, even if not members may be beneficial
  ○ Can we do a Pub Science series just for dept chairs and coordinators to advertise our services
  ○ Reach out to admin in schools and have an event for them to advertise STANYS
  ○ Create a list of why it would be beneficial to be a member

Section activities:

Current Topics:
❖ ELECTIONS
  ★ What are the job responsibilities?
  ★ Where are the descriptions of the responsibilities?
  ★ Becky may have a document about the job descriptions

❖ March 4, SAR meeting Review
  ➢ Brett Moulding presented lesson on new standards, phenomenon based teaching
  ➢ Send tinyURL to membership
  ➢ GRC style lesson (5E format)
  ➢ Checklist needs to be used to receive CTLE credit for workshop
  ➢ SAR institute - new to Fall conference (Biology - Paul Anderson is booked)
Assessments have not been defined
Assessments are still being worked on

Master Teacher Connections
- April 8- Lab Day at Colonie HS - 3 sessions, 6 sessions in each discp., hands-on
  - Still waiting for brochure,
  - Hopefully next year brochure will go out sooner
  - People are aware of workshops, but are waiting to register because workshops are not known yet
- Meetings: 4/4 Siena Hall rm 117, 5/23- Siena Hall Rm 217.

Reports:
- SAR Chemistry – Bill Brown
- SAR College/Pre-service – Seema Rivera
- SAR Earth Science – Laura VanGlad
- SAR Elementary – Poul Carstensen Sr.
- SAR Environmental Science- Deb Mabey-Abs
- SAR Informal Science- Joan Wagner –
  - Science Fair is on March 18
  - Feel free to drop in and visit or help out 8:00 - 4:00PM
  - RPI - Walker and Sage building
- SAR Intermediate – Jennifer Gecewicz-Abs
- SAR Living Environment – Kelly Ryan
- SAR Physics/STEM – Tony Malikowski
- SAR Retirees – Christine Stankavich:
- Science Matters - Arden
  - Arden sends out information, submit anything to her if you have anything
  - Scientists will walk out of office on April 22 Earth Day
- Membership - Becky Remis- Abs 186 members
- Newsletter - Elisabeth Milot-
- Web Master - Elisabeth Milot:
  - Election ballots are being sent out by April 1, due by May 15th to secretary of STANYS
  - Newsletter with ballots?

Eastern Section Programs:

Professional Development
- Pub Science
- Lab Day

Student Involvement Focus-
Science Fair 3-18-17

Common Core/NGSS Update/Questions (SLOs, APPRs,etc):
Motion to adjourn by Joan Wagner and seconded by Fran Lohnes. All in favor.

Next Meeting: 5-7pm,

- April 4, and
- May 23