

Florida Association of Science Teachers Virtual Meeting Aug 27, 2022 - 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM, EDT Location: https://ufl.zoom.us/j/93526129453?pwd=M0ZQOENMUnpaNitnL05QV0tpQm8rQT09

Board Meeting Minutes

The President, Marjorie Miles-Dozier, called the virtual meeting to order and welcomed FAST members attending that included Marjorie Miles-Dozier, Gary Yoham, Janet Schnauss, Angel Alexander, Yvette Greenspan, ZoEllen Warren, Marsha Winegarner, Barbara Raposa, Sharon Cutler, Amy Trujillo, Mary Tweedy, Denise Mcilwaine, and Stephanie Killingsworth.

President Marjorie Miles-Dozier shared highlights from the April 30th meeting/event at the Aerospace Center for Excellence in Lakeland. Minutes from this meeting on April 30th will be emailed to the board for approval on Monday, August 29th. Members are asked to read and respond as to approval or not.

President Miles-Dozier also shared the need for all board members to promote the FAST Conference to nonmembers. She suggested that all members promote through their social media. She will email the board suggested messages to email or post.

Elected and Appointed Officers Reports:

Executive Director, Dr. Gary Yoham, announced and congratulated the 2022 election winners. The new president-elect is Denise Mcilwaine. The new Area Directors include Area 2 – Carlos Villa, Area 4 – Janet Schnauss, Area 6 – Amber Robinson, Area 8: Melissa Sleeper, Area 10 – Kevin Simmons. Member at Large, Stephanie Killingsworth will be working on the cover for the 2022 FAST Conference Program. Their terms will be on Nov. 1, 2022.

Elected Administrative Officers Reports: Area Directors:

Janet Schnaus from Area 4, and Angel Alexander from 8 shared news from their areas. President Miles-Dozier read the reports that were emailed in from Area Director 3 Mayra Cordero and Area Director 7 Dr. Janice Novello.

Appointed Administrative Officers Reports: Division Representatives Yvette Greenspan, Post-Secondary shared a report on the state of education in Florida at the secondary level, highlighting the lack of money for research for public universities.

Appointed Administrative Officers Reports: Committee Chairpersons Barbara Raposa, Convention emailed and shared her conference report. She reiterated that it's important for board members to reserve a hotel room now to get the conference rate. She also stressed how it important it was to get the word out to maximize conference attendance. She said there will be two slide show presentations. FPL is sponsoring the Meet and Greet. Author Page Keeley is the luncheon guest speaker. Debi Bowen is doing one on the past presidents that will be shown at the luncheon and Marsha Winegarner is doing one the past conference history that will be shown in the registration hall.

Appointed Administrative Officers Reports: Ad Hoc Committee Chairperson

Advisory – Marsha Winegarner shared she has FAST photos from 1997. She also shared her concern that the counties in the Panhandle are left out from being involved in FAST.

Awards – Denise Mcilwaine said there have been problems with the google application form. Teachers can send in their applications by email also. Copy of teacher certification is not needed. Applications are due Sept. 15th. She clarified that previous award applications of nonwinners are held for three years. Applicants are asked to send in a new cover letter. They have the option of revising their resume.

Grants – Amy Trujillo reported that applicants are needed for both classroom and travel grants. Board members are eligible for classroom grants. Applications may be returned through google docs or by email. Applications are due Sept. 15th.

Journal – ZoEllen Warren stated the journal will go out in late December or early January. She has received several articles for publication.

Newsletter – ZoEllen Warren reported the deadline for information for the Newsletter was yesterday, Aug. 26th. However, if a board member had something to go in the Newsletter, he or she should let her know today. She hopes to have the Newsletter out on the 15th.

Professional Development – President Miles-Dozier reported that she and Amy Trujillo have been updating PD through our FAST social media sites

Vendor Liaison – Sharon Cutler reported that that 40 plus vendors have committed to a booth at the conference.

Website – Dr. Gary Yoham reported that the conference information and registration is updated and ready for use on the website. All board members are encouraged to register asap.

Appointed Administrative Officers Reports: Associations and Affiliations Science Matters – Marsha Winegarner reminded the board that the NSTA sponsored Science Matters has been eliminated by NSTA. Because of this FAST can not use the name Science Matters because of NSTA infringement policies. FAST needs to decide whether to keep Science Matters going in Florida with a new name.

NSTA District Five Director Amy Trujillo reported that the next NSTA's District Dispatch will announce information on the upcoming FAST Conference.

Old Business – President Miles-Dozier reported that the announcement for the Fundamental (toy) Grant will go out in September. The winners will be announced at the Conference, and through social media.

The next FAST meeting will be the annual meeting at the FAST Conference on October 28th.

President Miles-Dozier adjourned the meeting.

Minutes accepted at 12/12/22 FAST Board Meeting