

Minutes

Florida Association of Science Teachers' Meeting

12/10/2022

The virtual meeting was called to order at 10:00am EST by President, Sharon Cutler.

Cutler made the following appointments:

Stephanie Gamber, Secretary and Erick Hueck, Member at Large

The minutes from the Orlando, meeting were read by Stephanie Gamber. The minutes were accepted as read.

Nancy Besley gave the treasurer report.

Cutler then presented the budget for the year. A few adjustments were made and a discussion followed. Rapoza made a motion to accept the budget which was seconded by Mcilwaine. The budget was approved.

Reports:

Areas 1, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 gave reports. Melissa Sleeper spoke about AIAA'S upcoming virtual event on February 7, 2023.

Brad Tanner, informal science sent a report.

Convention- Barbara Rapoza stated that the 2023 conference will be held at the Embassy Suites USF Tampa from October 19th -21st. The 2024 conference will be held at the same location. However, there will be a limited number of rooms available so Rapoza will search for additional hotels to secure more rooms.

Legislative liaison Marsha Winegarner stated NSTA is in Atlanta this year. Added that NSTA and FAST need to have better communication.

Denise Mcilwaine, stated since no one has applied in a few years she requested that the money be moved elsewhere.

Zoellen, journal/newsletter, continues to ask for directors to continue to send her details to add to the newsletter.

Stephanie Long, Professional Development will have a separate mini newsletter to send out from Area directors with URLs and links.

Nancy Besley, FFFS, reported Florida has 37 Regional Fairs – State Science Fair is in Lakeland April 4th-6th

All reports are posted on the website, www.fastscience.org.

OLD BUSINESS (none)

NEW BUSINESS

Officers and Directors discussed.

- a. Promoting science support
- b. Vendor sponsorships for teachers to attend Annual FAST Conference

The next meeting is scheduled to be March 25th in Orlando.

The September 16th meeting will be virtual.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM EST

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Gamber, Secretary