



Board Meeting Minutes

April 17, 2021

The president, Mary Tweedy, called the virtual meeting on Zoom to order and welcomed FAST members attending including Amy Trujillo, Marjorie Miles-Dozier, Gary Yoham, Erick Hueck, Mayra Cordero, Janet Schnauss, Melissa Parks, Janice Novello, Angel Alexander, Yvette Greenspan, Khyanne Green, ZoEllen Warren, Suzette Gagnon, Marsha Winegarner, Monika Moorman, Nancy Besley, Navia Gomez, Barbara Raposa and Sharon Cutler

Khyanne Green-David read the minutes from December 12, 2020 and the minutes were accepted as read.

Elected and Appointed officers Report:

Treasurer - Nancy Besley read the Treasurer's report and is made available in the google drive. She suggested that we do a call for convention presenters the first week of May through the website.

President elect - Dr. Marjorie Miles-Dozier commented on the success of the State Science Fair

Immediate Past President: Amy Trujillo - nothing to report

Executive Director: Dr. Gary Yoham informed us that this year the odd area directors' positions are open for nominations and are due by April 31, 2021

Member at Large: Dr. Erick Hueck – nothing to report

Elected Administrative Officers Reports: Area Directors:

Areas 1, 2,6,9 10 were absent and either had nothing to report or posted to google drive

Areas 3,4,5,7,8, 11 Directors gave their reports via zoom.

Monika Moorman presented for Area 10 (Stephanie Killingsworth) who thanked FAST for being a recipient of the teacher grant

Appointed Administrative Officers Reports: Division Representatives

Post-Secondary – Yvette Greenspan reported on MDC having the first female president. They have also opened the North campus for the Covid-19 vaccine. Most colleges will require the covid vaccine to return in the fall except for Florida. 334 STEM programs throughout the state as the university level

Appointed Administrative Officers Reports: Committee Chairpersons

Convention – Barbara Rapoza’s report announced that we need to think about a theme. Suggested Navigating through Science 2 and requested that suggestions for the theme should be emailed to her. Registration for the convention will be open on August 1st

Appointed Administrative Officers Reports: Ad Hoc Committee Chairperson

Advisory: Marsha Winegarner- expressed appreciation for the hard work in planning the conference

Journal/ Newsletter – ZoEllen Warren: requesting newsworthy information (events, webinars)

- Newsletters – grant awardees, conference presenters, conference highlights

STEM Coordinator - Suzette Gagnon: gave a report on the advancement of STEM programs with 13 STEM accredited schools in the state through the Council of Catholic Bishops. Will be encouraging FAST membership and the conference at the meeting. Mary informed us that a webpage will be created for STEM called STEM Connection. New manual for project Learning tree has been created

Vendor Liaison: Sharon Cutler- Several businesses have closed and is requesting updated vendor contact information

Website: Dr. Gary Yoham- New STEM webpage created

Appointed Administrative Officers Reports: Associations and Affiliations

FFFS: Nancy Besley – reported on having a successful science fair which included both synchronous and asynchronous judging.

Science Matters – Marsha Winegarner gave a report indicating that Science Matters will be ending and suggested that it become part of FAST to improve communication with schools

Old Business:

Website:

- All minutes are now posted on the FAST website
- ZoEllen has added the latest newsletter and journal to the website
- Dr. Yoham revised the advertisement form for vendors
- STEM page added

Bylaws: Volunteers contact Yvette Greenspan

- Barbara requested that members read through old minutes and identify any substantial changes that were made that need to be updated in the bylaws, example the new timeline for elections changed from April 1st to April 30th
- 2-3 resolutions that must be placed on ballot and voted on at annual meeting in October: Membership year changed to November 1 to encompass the conference
- Must include Nancy’s duties and credit card information
- Ballot goes out May 24th
- Bylaws are posted on the FAST website

New Business:

- Elections: May 24th ballot will be available until June 7th
- Member question: Grants available if no payment is required
- August in person meeting (August 14th): Suggested locations– by Yvette: Pine Jog Environmental Center (West palm Beach), Marjorie: Polk County Circle B Bar reserve in Winter Haven, and Barbara: Hotel in Orlando
- Barbara- recruiting members to take her position within next two years based on hotel contract. Amy will be shadowing Barbara to learn about the position
- Sharon: Marjorie will be working towards being the vendor liaison

The next FAST board meeting date will be announced at a later date.

The president, Mary Tweedy, adjourned the Florida Association of Science Teachers Board meeting.

Accepted: August 14, 2021