**Kentucky Academy of Science**

**Business Meeting Minutes**

November 03, 2018

The KAS Fall **Business Meeting** was convened Saturday, November 3, 2018 at 12:00PM (Central Time) at Western Kentucky University (Cupola Room, Downing Student Union). Members present include- Dr. Jennifer Birriel, Rajiv Singh, Dr. Dirk Grupe, Dr. Rodney King, Dr. Nancy Martin, Amanda Fuller, Dr. Frank Ettensohn, Dr. Trent Garrison, Dr. Melanie Hardin-Pierce, Dr. Leslie North, Dr. Marilyn Akins, Dr. Kerrie McDaniel, Kelly Watson, Melony Stambaugh, Dr. Maggie Whitson, Dr. Claire Rinehart, and Dr. Tracy Hodge.

Not joining us: Sarah Madon, Dr. Richard Gelderman, and Dr. Walter Borowski.

WKU president Dr. Caboni welcome the KAS board members and all attendees. In his welcome speech, he emphasized the importance of science in general and KAS in particular. He also elaborated the WKU efforts in enhancement of STEM in the commonwealth of Kentucky. Past presidents and outgoing board members were recognized in the meeting.

1. Report from KAS president

Dr. Jennifer Birriel presented her report. Details attached.

1. Announce election results

President Dr. Birriel announced the election results.

1. New Athey Science Outreach & Education Grant (attached)
2. Elimination of the Graduate Competition for KAS meetings
3. Automatic competition for all undergraduate presenters in November 2019
4. Updates on Journal/Share Editors letter (attached)
5. Report from president elect

President elect Dr. Leslie North presented her report. High points of her report includes-

1. Total authors-638
2. Total abstracts -138
3. Number of attendees - 328
4. Report from executive director (Amanda Fuller, report attached)
5. Report from program coordinator/junior academy director(Melony Stambaugh)
6. Good participation
7. A few smaller sections
8. Social science subjects were merged together
9. No graduate student competition this year
10. Treasurers report (attached)
11. Financial situation sound
12. Grants
13. Meeting expanses paid by KAS itself
14. Encourage colleagues to apply for grants
15. Proposed amendments to KAS Bylaws
16. Not been looked for long time
17. Include division representatives
18. A few typos
19. Available on-line (www.kyscience.org/bylaws.php)
20. Passing of gavel

The 1934 gavel from Berea passed from Dr. Jennifer Birriel to Dr. Leslie North. Dr. K.C Russel recognizes Dr. Jennifer Birriel for her outstanding work as a president of KAS.

Dr. Jenifer Birriel moved to adjourn, with second by Amanda Fuller. Meeting was adjourned at 1:00 pm.