**Kentucky Academy of Science**

**Governing Board Meeting Minutes**

August 08, 2018

Conference Call Meeting

The KAS Governing Board Fall meeting was convened via conference call on Monday August 06, 2018 at 1:00 pm (Eastern Time).Members present include- Dr. Jennifer Birriel, Rajiv Singh, Dr. Dirk Grupe, Dr. Rodney King, Dr. Nancy Martin, Amanda Fuller, Dr. Trent Garrison, Dr. Melanie Hardin-Pierce, Dr. Richard Gelderman, Dr. Wally Borowski, Dr. Leslie North, Dr. Marilyn Akins, Dr. Kerrie McDaniel, Dr. Maggie Whitson, Sarah Mardon, Dr. Claire Rinehart, and Dr. Tracy Hodge.

Not joining us: Frank Ettensohn, Tracy Hodge, Melony Stambaugh, Wally Borowski, Kelly Watson

The minutes of the April KAS Governing Board Meeting were reviewed. Dr. Jennifer Birriel moved the motion to approve the minutes that was seconded by Dr. Melanie Hardin-Pierce, motion carried and minutes were approved unanimously as submitted.

1. President report

Dr. Jennifer Birriel presented her report. She shared the updates about the Kentucky Junior Academy of Science.

1. Treasurer’s report Dr. Rodney King

Dr. Rodney King presented the treasurer’s report. The key points of Dr. King’s report include-

1. Account update.
2. Approx. balance of $18000.
3. Need to reconciling check and balances.
4. Updates about the upcoming annual KAS meeting registration- can register electronically.
5. Vice President Dr. Frank Ettensohn

Amanda Fuller presented the vice president’s report on behalf of Dr. Frank Ettensohn. She discussed about the nomination of awardees for upcoming annual KAS meeting 2018. She seek help from board members in the nomination process.

1. President Elect Dr. Leslie North- sent by email and attached.
2. Historian Dr. Marilyn Akins
3. Getting rid of useless boxes.
4. Working with UK.
5. Preserve all minutes of board meetings.
6. Need a letter to EKU transferring materials.
7. By November, we will have rough draft of retention schedule.
8. Journal Editors Dr. Wally Borowski and Dr. Kelly Watson
9. Has started working on 2017 issue of KAS Journal.
10. Next issue would consists of 2017 and 2018 combine.
11. Need of more manuscripts.
12. Dr. Kate Bulinski, last year’s Science Education & Outreach Award winner, is going to be invited to submit article to the journal
13. Newsletter Editors Sarah Mardon- presented the survey results and attached. The key points of the survey include-
14. Scientific and shorter articles are preferred.
15. Email and website are preferred platforms but members use several others
16. Survey respondents want quarterly newsletter.
17. Committee Chairs
18. Dr. Kerrie McDaniel

* Ready for fall meeting
* Prepared for science and advocacy workshop
* Working with sponsors of science and advocacy workshop

1. Dr. Trent Garrison – Show his concern about the followers. Asked that we don’t have increase in number of followers. He added that young folks are more gravitating towards short and concise articles. Amanda echoed with Trent concern and suggested that we should follow other so that they can follow us.
2. Dr. Richard Gelderman – (outreach and public engagement). No new information.
3. Executive director’s report

Amanda Fuller presented executive director’s report. The main points of the report includes:

* Registration and abstract submission for 2018 KAS meeting will be open on sept 1.
* Has started contacting sponsors and exhibitors.
* Tentative schedule has been posted.
* Free workshops- policy advocacy and statistics.
* New brochure should be available by November.
* Kentucky Science Teachers Association (KSTA) conference will be in Lexington one week after annual KAS meeting.
* Attended March for science summit in Chicago.

Annual KAS Meeting updates-

* Is Registration is free of sales tax under new Ky law?
* Updating registration form.
* Lunch tickets.
* Registration opens on sept 1.
* Thursday having movie night showing science related movies.
* Rooms have been reserved for Friday and Saturday- have enough rooms to accommodate posters and presentation.
* Friday speaker event has series of panel speakers that consists of sinkhole related scientists, engineers, and geotechnical experts.
* Corvette museum visit is free for everyone.
* Increasing the cost of on-site registration fee to reduce congestion at registration table.

Bylaws updates-

Edits would go out to members 30 days before the next board meeting.  
Discussion and decisions about spending Athey fund-

* New categories of grant would be introduced.
* New category would include education.
* Funds can be used for funding scientific research, utilizing fund to outreach and education.
* Develop and provide equipment and educational materials.
* Dr. Richard Gelderman offered to write the language for educational grant not before September 2018.
* Sarah Mardon and Melanie Hardin Pierce will work together on language for new grant categoriy(ies)

Dr. Trent Garrison move adjournment of meeting seconded by Dr. Rodney King. Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.