

Environmental Education Association of Illinois
Board Meeting Minutes
Saturday, June 13, 2015
4pm Museum of the Grand Prairie, Mahomet, IL.

Board Meeting Attendees: Janet Beach Davis, Patti Brown, Jennifer Day Tariq, Pam Evans, Jennifer VanDerMolen, Laura McCoy, Peggy Doty, Tina Dawson Scott, Natalie Marioni, Kirsten Hope Walker, Linda Hauser, Stacey Clementz, Savannah Donovan,

Committee Chairs (other than RD's): Charlie Jakes-T-shirt chair; Allison Neubauer, Student Recruitment Chair

Not in Attendance: Kristi Morris, Jo Fessett, Allison Jones, Lara Darling, Jame Holt, Richie Wolf, Sarah Livesay,

1. Call to Order – President Stacey Clementz Meeting called to order at 4:33
 - a. Additions to agenda- review/ vote—Motion to approve agenda as submitted made by Kirsten Hope Walker; seconded by Natalie Marioni; passed by voice vote- no abstentions
2. Secretary's Report - Janet Beach Davis
 - a. April 2015 Meeting Minutes review/ vote Motion to approve meeting minutes as submitted made by Linda Hauser; seconded by Kirsten Hope Walker; passed by voice vote- no abstentions
3. Treasurer's Reports – Kirsten Hope Walker pre-submitted – review/ vote Motion to approve treasurers report as submitted made by Natalie Marioni; seconded by Laura McCoy; passed by voice vote -no abstentions.
 - a. There was a discussion about changing our bank to a statewide bank. Our CD matures May 2016, but we can change the checking and money market now. There has been minimal growth in our reserves. Stacey and Kirsten will be checking for the best service and state coverage. Please continue to use Amazon Smile. We earned \$7.00 this quarter.
4. Committee/Chair Reports
 - a. Education – Laura McCoy-Chicago Wilderness has reorganized- we will be contacting them when they settle and we can see what the new format will be.
 - b. Projects Update – Sarah Livesay
 - a. Projects Coordinator Contract—review/vote Motion to approve Projects Coordinator Contract as submitted made by Jennifer Day Tariq; seconded by Peggy Doty ;passed by voice vote- no abstentions

- c. EEAI Sales -- Charlie Jacques- sales for conference: 45 shirts sold; 3 hats; 15 mugs; We made \$850 in sales (\$824 in costs- so we have already paid for the entire order.)
- d. Membership --Allison Jones-no report
- e. Public Relations --Savannah Donovan --We have had requests for interviews through our email account. Savannah asked for guidelines for an interview. We suggested a form reply to see how serious they are about the request. If they reply the second time, then the email can be forwarded to Stacey for dispersion.
- f. Awards --Richie Wolf --no report
 - a. Mini-grants -- Teresa --no report
- g. Governmental Affairs -- Lara Darling- no reports
- h. Student Recruitment Liaison -- Allison Neubauer- Will be working up programs/events to connect with students. Allison asked the board for contacts at local colleges and universities.
- i. Liaison reports -- Jo Fessett, Kristi Morris, Judy Miller- no report

5. Conferences

- a. 2015 EEAI Conference- South- Linda Hauser and Steve Gariepy- over 80 attendees- \$1700 profit this year. We need to encourage more evaluations by attendees.
- b. 2016 EEAI Conference -- West Central-Emiquon Valley- We will host everything in Canton- 2 day conference March 11-12, 2016. Friday- concurrent session, Saturday registered workshops and field trips. Spoon River College for concurrent sessions, Emiquon and Dixon Mounds etc- for field work. There are a few good housing options. Save the date cards will be out. Plan B- Springfield. Natalie and Betsy will need help with Speakers, field trips, and other committees.
- c. 2015 MEEC
 - i. Invited to MEEC awards ceremony
- d. 2017 MEEC -- Jame Holt, Jennifer VanDerMolen and Laura McCoy- MEEC needs were addressed at the retreat. Tentative dates are being considered, leaning toward the fall. After discussion of terms and conditions for the site, Stacey will have to sign a contract now to ensure a lower price.

6. President's Report

- a. EEAI 2015-16 Meeting Dates
 - Saturday, Sept. 12 10am, Anita Purves Nature Center
 - Friday, Dec. 4 10am, Anita Purves Nature Center
 - Friday, Feb 5, 2016 10am, Anita Purves Nature Center
- b. Strategic Plan
 - i. Possible dates for strategic plan review- August 2015
 - ii. Invitation list- will be sent out.

7. Regional Report Updates -- no additions

8. Adjournment **Motion to adjourn made by Kirsten Hope Walker; Jennifer VanDerMolen seconded; passed by voice vote- no abstentions.** Adjourned at 5:48pm.