

Environmental Education Association of Illinois

Board Meeting Minutes

Saturday, September 10, 2016
10am, Anita Purves Nature Center

Board Meeting Attendees: Janet Beach Davis, Kirsten Hope Walker, Stacey Clementz, Tina Dawson Scott, Peggy Doty, Jennifer VanDerMolen, Laura McCoy, Jame Holt, Pam Evans, Anna Marie Froeschle, Steve Gariepy,

Committee Chairs and Liasons: none present

Guests:

Not Present: Ann Townsend, Patti Brown, Jason Haupt, Sarah Livesay, Projects Coordinator; Heidi Vasel, Membership Chair; Savannah Donovan, PR Chair; Allison Neubauer, Student Recruitment Chair; Rebecca Laurent, Governmental Affairs; Richie Wolf, Awards Chair; Teresa Vaughn, Mini Grants Chair; Kristi Morris, EPA Liaison; Jo Fessett, Illinois Audubon Liaison; Judy Miller, NAAEE Representative; Jennie Bunde, EEAI Nominations and Elections Co-Chair;

Quorum present.

voted on - yellow

Items requiring Action-Underlined

Items moved to Ad-Hoc- blue

1. Call to Order – President Stacey Clementz Called to order at 10:05am.
 - a. Additions to agenda- review/ vote- Motion made to accept the agenda with an addition (1b) by Pam Evans, Jame Holt second, Passed by voice vote, no abstentions
 - b. IEC update from Stacey- Illinois Environmental Council asked for contact persons. Governmental affairs and secretary will be automatic contact people.
 - c. General Scholarship Application
 - i. Laura McCoy--scholarship template- Jennifer VanDerMolen and Laura shared their scholarship application form. The draft form will be posted on the google drive for everyone to have input before it becomes a weebly form for the website.
 - d. Update on legacy emails- Stacey encouraged everyone to log in and get used to the accounts so they can
2. Secretary's Report - Janet Beach Davis
 - a. June 2016 Meeting Minutes review/ vote motion made to accept as amended (1b only a one year term for Anna Marie) by Jennifer VanDerMolen ; second Laura McCoy; passed by voice vote, no abstentions
3. Treasurer's Reports – Kirsten Hope Walker pre-submitted – review/ vote motion made to accept as submitted by Anna Marie Froeschle ; second Jennifer VanDerMolen; passed by voice vote, no abstentions
 - a. 2017-18 Budgets- Kirsten- Last year's budgets were put onto the google drive for reference. Budgets 2017-18 need to be submitted by the December board meeting. An email will come out with reminders about what should and should

not be included in the budgets.

4. Committee/Chair Reports

- a. Projects Update – Sarah Livesay- change to report- ISTA will be in Peoria and not Tinley Park. Sarah is currently in Japan. She asked to remind everyone that Green School grant applications are due Sept 30th. She has also submitted the MPI Grant and WhiteTail Report.
- b. Membership –Heidi Vassel- Heidi has stepped down temporarily. Kirsten has volunteered to fill in until Heidi is ready to return.
 - a. ISTA Joint Membership-We will not be renewing the ISTA Membership MOU. We have made no money from this agreement, and have had poor communication with them.
- c. Public Relations --Savannah Donovan- Savannah has stepped down as PR Chair. Stacey proposes a search committee for new committee and board members. Janet Beach Davis will Chair; Peggy, Jason, Anne, AnneMarie have been appointed.
- d. Awards --Richie Wolf- Awards are due Nov 30
 - a. Mini-grants – Teresa- Mini grants are due Oct 30
 - b. Awards and Mini grant will now be overseen by the Treasurer.
- e. Nominations and Elections-whose term is up?- Janet Will check bylaws to see if Secretary and treasurer can be off cycle.
 - i. President
 - ii. President Elect, vacant
 - iii. Secretary-Janet Will re-run
 - iv. Treasurer- Kirsten will re-run
 - v. Northwest: Peggy Doty- term limit has been reached
 - vi. Northeast: Jame Holt- Will Re-run
 - vii. West Central: Vacant spot
 - viii. East Central: Pam Evans- will re-run, Anna Marie Froeschle- is finishing her appointment year.
 - ix. South: Steve Gariepy- will re-run
- f. Governmental Affairs – Rebecca Laurent- no report
- g. Student Recruitment Liaison – Allison Neubauer- no report
- h. Liaison reports – Jo Fessett, Kristi Morris, Judy Miller- no reports

5. Conferences-

- a. 2016 NAAEE – October 18-22- Stacey got a scholarship to attend. EEAI has been awarded the NAAEE Affiliate of the year. Stacey will be picking up our award at the conference.
- b. 2017 MEEC – Jame Holt, Jennifer VanDerMolen and Laura McCoy (Ad-hoc)
- c. 2017-SEC Conference Steve will be organizing with student groups. March 10-12. Our annual meeting will be at this time.

6. President's Report

- a. EEAI 2016-17 Meeting Dates
 - Friday, Dec. 2 10am, Anita Purves Nature Center
 - Friday, Feb. 3 10am, Anita Purves Nature Center
 - Annual Meeting
 - Date to be determined (will be between March 10-12)
 - Touch of Nature, Makanda, IL

7. Regional Report Updates- Steve is organizing speaker program in the southern region that will be around a campfire with music.
8. The UPDATE will be coming out and the NERDS will be doing a spotlight member. Due October 1.
9. Adjournment- motion to adjourn made by Tina Dawson Scott; seconded Kirsten Hope Walker, passed by voice vote, no abstentions. Adjourned at 11:30pm.

Ad Hoc:

- MEEC 2017
- Strategic Plan