

Kansas Academy of Science Board Meeting Minutes
4/1/2022
Sterling College Campus

Meeting called to order @ 8:31pm

Members Present: Mark Labarge, Dustin Wilgers, Shaun Schmidt, Stuart Gardner, Sam Leung, Erin Morris, Lani Watters, Hank Guarisco, Kim Simon, Seid Adem, David McKenzie, Joanna Gress

Previous meeting's minutes approved with correction to typos. Unanimous approval.

Reports

Treasurer's Report by Shaun Schmidt

- No report
- Still for profit, will file paperwork in May for tax-exempt status with new accountant
- Expected to get back taxes paid for some years, limit as to how far back you can go
- now have a debit card for easier payment in certain situations

Secretary's Report by Sam Leung

- 146 members
- not including new members from KAS Meeting, should see nice bump from this
- seeing members join on the website
- no complaints from board on the use of the website for sign up

JKAS Report

- no report from Jill as she is away

Transactions Report

- report from Erica
- waiting to get quote on going digital from Allen Press, have contacted multiple times
- no word from ESU lawyer in regards to Cengage royalties
- All proof drafts are complete for spring issue, manuscripts adding up to 76 pages
- request for additional notes, memorials, other additions to the Transactions for the upcoming spring issue
- have several submissions for everyday science section, and one book review for spring issue. Got good feedback from book review in fall issue

KAS Newsletter

- Report from Hank
- Is grateful for assistant
- hopes the book reviews are useful and interesting

Grant Coordinator Report

- Report from Seid

- This year, five (four MS and one PhD) graduate students received the KAS Graduate Student Research Grant award. The students were notified via e-mail and checks are mailed to each student based on the address they listed in the application.
- Three applicants for undergrad grant, they gave three awards.
- had trouble in the past with students losing the check, this is difficult to deal with. Suggest sending the check to the Advisor, but will need to add a line to the application to get this information.

Old Business

2023 Annual Meeting Sites and beyond

- 2023 McPherson (Date for meeting: April 14-15)
- 2024 Emporia State University

Social Media Editor Position

- Does someone want to volunteer to write up expectations and potential pay?
- Who are we trying to attract with these posts?
- What are we hoping for in frequency of posts? 1-2 posts per day? 5 posts per week?
- How much would we have to pay someone to do this level of work?
- Is it worth this cost to the society?
- Would it be better to have an outreach coordinator that deals with social media and Other brochures
- 6 month contract for minimum post of 1-2 posts per week on various social media sites. Talk to interested individuals/students at the business meeting tomorrow to see any interest. Max Total Budget for project is \$2000, \$200 / month for 6 month contract
- Motion: Announce this opportunity at the business meeting tomorrow.
- Motion Passed Unanimously

Presentation Awards for 2022 Annual Meeting

4 groups

Undergraduate & Graduate Poster and Talks

1st – \$200

2nd – \$150

3rd – \$100

Motion Passed