

NCSTA Board Meeting
September 23, 2020
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1. Call to Order by President Carol Maidon @ 7:24 p.m.
2. **Members Present for Roll Call:** Carol Maidon, Joette Midgett, Brad Woodard, Cliff Hudson, Sandra Weitzel, Mike Tally, Michelle Chadwick, Adrienne Evans, MaryKate Holden, Tim Gulifoyle, Molly Barlow, Tom Savage, Manley Midgett, Carrie Jones, Brian Whitson, Kim Alix, Tomika Altman, Laura Lowder, Ann McClung, Brad Rhew, Alissa Wickliff QUORUM WAS MET
Member Absent: Mary Ellen Durham, Ralston James, Evelyn Baldwin, Carolyn Elliot
3. **Most Agenda Items were tabled**
4. **Agenda Approval:** **Motion:** to approve Meeting Agenda made by Brad Woodard and 2nd by Ann McClung. Motion carries
5. **Awards Committee Motion for Approval of Grants (Brad Rhew)**
Motion: The Grants Committee moves to approve 2 curriculum grants and 1 study grant. Motion was approved by board unanimously; no 2nd required.
 - Curriculum Grant winners are Covey Denton (\$700) and Wayne Shore (\$700).
 - The Study Grant winner is Kelly Pike for \$592.50.
 - Covey Denton will use her grant for Hands-On Inquiry Based Virtual 3-D Printing.
 - Wayne Shore's grant will expand his building robotics Lego Competition; \$967.18 was asked for but \$700 was funded.
 - Kelly Pike will use the Study Grant to be certified in Challenge Based Learning Community STEM group. This will provide a sustainable impact for school and community.
 - 7 grant proposals came in narrowed down to five; 3 were approved.
 - The flyers and email correspondence helped to get the word out about grants; largest numbers in many years.
 - Brad Rhew thanked his committee (Carrie Jones and Nick Weeks).
6. **Outreach to Members (Carol Maidon)**
 - Elementary Teachers Group: Laura Lowder, Brad Rhew and Manley Midgett
 - Request for board members to register for these webinars
 - They will feature 25 things at home to Learn Science; have 50-60 registrations so far with one week left to register.
 - 1st one is October 1st from 4:30-6 p.m.; the other 2 sessions will be October 15th and 29th (with 25 more things to learn science at home in each session). These will be advertised to our members via an announcement and through the DPI newsletter and by Science House.

- 1 registration gets you in to all 3 sessions; free for members and \$30 for non-members and this gets them a membership.
- NCSTA will be promoted and there will be a Q&A session.
- Format for these webinars will be via Zoom. Meredith will provide Zoom account and tech support for the sessions.
- Please register for these sessions.
- Middle School Teachers----Town Hall format? Lots of crossover between the elementary and middle school levels.
- Ann McClung will take the lead for the Middle School & High School webinar session planning; she needs some help. We will need to set a time to meet and plan the sessions.
- All sessions will be videotaped and materials/resources will be sent out.
- For High School and Middle School, breakout sessions would be by discipline; AP Labs-share resources, again encourage board members to register.
- General processes, specific content, digital notebooks – all possible topics.
- Solicit feedback for what these teachers need, Carol has received lots of calls about skipping a Town Hall and looking at engagement in virtual activities at home.
- Subject-area specific content; safe labs to do at home (Earth, Bio and Physics/Chemistry). 1 evening on each topic.
- LInks will be provided in advance for Zoom.
- High School sessions would likely start in November and continue through the first of the year.

7. **Awards Celebration Update** (Alissa Wickliff)

- Governor Greeting - still not confirmed
- Name for this 51st Annual Awards Ceremony and Annual Meeting.
- We have 3 award winners from 5 of our 8 districts and 2 from the others, well done this gives us 19 of a possible 24 (elem./middle/high winners).
- Time for the events is from 4:30-5:45 p.m. on Thursday, November 5th via Zoom.
- Allow 35 minutes for Awards Presentation and 5 minutes for Grant winners to be announced by Brad Rhew; 5 minutes for our Business Meeting, 3 minutes to plug our Webinars and Town Hall sessions, 3 minutes for the passing of the gavel from Carol to Sandra.
- Winners will be announced no later than early-October
- Bio and Earth Science Award Presentations get 3 minutes as well
- We need to make sure that District Directors are represented during the Ceremony; reach out to the winners, their principal so they can share with their faculties at staff meetings.
- Board members will be introduced during the ceremony.
- Family members, colleagues and friends will get the link if they are registered for the ceremony. Sandra asked if members will receive an invitation. Yes.
- What will the registration process look like; a google form Alissa said; information will also be put on NCSTA's website with registration information. The form will

send names and emails to Alissa (google form) On the website it will say click here for Awards Ceremony registration and click here for Workshops.

- Zoom for that night's festivities will be sponsored by UNC-Charlotte. We thank them in advance for doing this. NCSTA does not have an official Zoom account.
- Future Meeting may be around the end of October---Doodle Poll will be sent.
- Carol Maidon noted she was hoping to have a face-face meeting by year's end, but that was simply not possible.

Motion: To Adjourn by MaryKate Holden 2nd by Brad Rhew @ 8:40 p.m. It was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted by Brad Woodard, NCSTA Secretary