

Minutes for April 11, 2019

Quorum was met.

**Mary Kate made the motion and Brian seconded approved the agenda for the meeting.
*The motion passed.***

The minutes of the January meeting were tabled until the next meeting.

The Treasurer's report was given and it was accepted. There was some discussion.

Joette Midgette reported on our 2018 NSTA Regional conference hosted in Charlotte mentioning that 95 memberships with NCSTA were gained since our last meeting. We have currently 432 members and ten of those were added since the first of the year (2019).

A short mention of tweeting and use of Facebook for our organization was discussed to help get the word out about NCSTA. Social media is powerful. It was mentioned we have 254 Facebook followers all total, 19 in the last thirty days. Brian W., Carol Moore and Ben O. are working together to strengthen our social media presence.

50th anniversary celebration ideas were discussed.

Mike Tally and Carol Moore shared updates on the shed app, designed to help with registration online, as well as program updates for PDI. One person would need to run this at the conference. Need to get the publicity out about it being our 50th birthday, the PDI logo was shared. Mark Case is willing to help at the booth for this conference.

Make-A-Wish for the PDI was discussed. There will be an application form (one for each district). This form will be posted to the website and the deadline will be set for September 15th. It was mentioned to that we need help from board members to lead sessions with no presenters if there are no shows at PDI.

We could tie in our 50th celebration into our vendors. So far we have five vendors. Have a middle of summer post to get them involved. There will be a specialty logo for this PDI. Advertising will need to be key. Proclamation from our Governor. Ask governor to attend, schedule is tough but we want to try to have him join us. If he cannot attend, he would send a designee. Mayor of Winston-Salem would be invited as well as the Chamber of Commerce Director since this will be happening in their city. Need to have Past Presidents of NCSTA attend. Manley suggested not too many dignitaries to run into our sessions. This happened a few years back. Invite the Superintendent of Forsyth County Schools as well.

Presidents could give a few comments. Put names in pot for give-aways. Possibly have a scavenger hunt with a theme around our fifty years and our development. Facts about the organization quiz game format were share. Photo stations will be established. Challenge District Directors to recruit fifty new members. The highest percent increase would receive an

Amazon gift card totaling (you guessed it \$50). We may create a mock newspaper cover modeling fifty years ago. Contact Carol Maidon directly with ideas.

Mike will send out a generic press release about our organization's fifty years. In the fall local newspaper and tv stations would be involved.

2019 Budget Conference Item.

As PDI planning is in the works there was no line item for budget to cover those expenses with the 50th celebration of NCSTA.

Finance Committee Motion for Funds for Birthday Celebration

The finance committee made a motion **to add a \$650 line item designated to cover those expenses including, printing, materials, etc..** Floor was open to discussion.

Motion carried no opposition.

Joette M. Business Report

2012 was the last update of our constitution. Joette color-coded where updates needed to be made. For example, blues were important concerns; purple was formatting changes. The sections were on Bylaws, Procedures, Policies and PDI.

- Member classification was clarified: active, student and retired. In the Constitution, the eligibility is defined by the Bylaws. Carol Maidon will rewrite. This will need to be voted on by the entire membership.
- In the Constitution under District/Committee members and chairs substitute pay. After obtaining treasurer signature added to manual. Send all requests by email and not fax. Request for supplies does not exist. Joette reminded us to ask questions if they arose when viewing the constitution. All were asked to read it prior to the meeting. Request for Payment.....combined forms in back of book. Authorized offer to write checks, is Incorrect there. Form non-budgeted items it is yellow and okay, voted on already. No mailing labels, this is digital now.
- Student Memberships \$10. Remove rates see B dues established by the Executive Committee. It was clarified to whom free memberships are offered. Presidential Award winners announced at PDI one per year. Only three finalist every year. Some winners already have this. We would come back to this later. Table # 30. Some members have lifetime membership - our Past Presidents, needs to be looked at.
- NC Student Academy not as big a part since 2010. Eliminate these from the constitution as they are not given. NC Science Fair already gives this recognition. Grant Section. Eligibility except for NBC grants, National Board Certification must be a member for one year.

Motion to Remove Student Awards

Motion made "to remove student awards." by Carol Maidon, Mary Kate and Brian Whitson seconded.

The motion passed.

Motion Made Regarding Free Membership

Manley made a motion to take the "s" out and give the winner free membership. This was seconded by Mike Tally.

The motion passed.

Motion Made to Accept All Changes as Noted in Color Coded Handbook

Manley made a motion to accept all changes as written for the handbook, this was seconded by Brad Woodard

The motion passed and there was no opposition.

District Directors Reports

District 1. Cliff Hudson. Has reached out through email to members, working to reach out to businesses (Golden Leaf Foundation) for Professional Development.

District 2. Michelle Chadwick... Not present

District 3. Evelyn Baldwin. NC State proposal for conference

District 4. Erica Caine. Science Olympiad. Four teams March 23 rd. Science Fair at NC State. Had Terry Sanford winner.

District 5. Mary Kate. NC Science Festival reminder for this month, many activities going on, especially at UNC-G this weekend. District five page on Facebook; tweeted out info. Conference info. posted.

District 6. Brian Whitson. Tweet for recruitment. Partnerships with Charlotte region. Proposals for PDI given close proximity to Charlotte.

District 7. Molly.

District 8. Meredith Mitchell. Not present

Brad Woodard shared information about the success of Robotics program in his home county of Pitt. They have had world competition participation the last three years in Houston, TX.

Manley reported Burroughs-Wellcome grant was ready to go he had left messages today on this PDI.

Manley reminded those of the Trust Fund.

Becky Dunston made mention of Share-A-Thon. Elementary, Middle and High strand. Need middle school leader.

Angela Adams mentioned nominations are open. Date to close on nominations and awards is July 1st, which will come up soon.

Face to Face meeting at Meredith in Raleigh on August 3, 2019 at 10 am.

Motion to adjourn by Carol Maidon and second by Mary Kate.

The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by Brad Woodard
NCSTA Secretary

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