

1/28/21 NCSTA Full Board Meeting

Format: Microsoft Teams

Attendance: Tomika Altman, Michelle Chadwick, Amanda Clapp, Allie Dimwiddie, Mary Ellen Durham, Carolyn Elliott, Adrienne Evans, Gavin Fradel, Tim Guilfoyle, MaryKate Holden, Cliff Hudson, Ralston James, Carrie Jones, Laura Lowder, Carol Maidon, Ann McClung, Joette Midgett, Manley Midgett, Tammi Remsburg, Brad Rhew, Kristina Rogers, Tom Savage, Lindsay Smith, Mike Tally, Lisa Tolley, Sandra Weitzel, Brian Whitson, Alisa Wickliff and Brad Woodard were all present. 100% Perfect Attendance Award goes to the whole board---**Quorum reached**

Meeting called to order at 6:32 p.m. by President Sandra Weitzel.

Reminder to mute your microphone when not speaking

Each board member stated biographical information about them and what they liked about the state of North Carolina. We have several new board members---Lisa Tolley (Non-Traditional & Non-Formal Education), Lindsay Smith (District 7 Director), Kristina Rogers (District 3), Brad Rhew (from Grants to District 5 Director), Tammi Remsburg (Student Competitions), Allie Dinwiddie (Publications), Gavin Fradel (DPI). Welcome to the board!

Goals were supplied by Goalperson Chair Manley Midgett, copy was shown on screen, during the roll call, all of the board members supported these goals.

Sandra explained the Pod Groupings as a way to network in your own regions with fellow board members, encourage small group meetings if you can.

Budget approval is up one spot on tonight's agenda.

**Agenda Approval Manley Midgett made motion to accept the agenda as written, Carol Maidon seconded the motion, it is adopted by acclamation.**

**Minutes Approval MaryKate Holden made a motion to accept the minutes from the November board meeting with Brian Whitson as second, approved by acclamation.**

Mary Ellen Durham thanked her committee for their work on the budget during this difficult year due to COVID-19.. Reminder that the Constitution requires the first meeting of the year the proposed budget has to be approved.

PDI attendance, membership and vendor fees were taken into consideration with the anticipated budget shortfalls due to no PDI being held as normal in the fall.

The proposed budget is compared to the 2019 year actual expenditures with 80% of the 2019 attendance in making the estimation for the budget. The proposed budget is \$124,219.00 which will include the anticipated Burroughs-Wellcome grant. This budget is divided into two parts: the

Operating Budget (our conducting of business) and the PDI. In the operating budget Joette receives \$11,000 as Conference Coordinator.

For the PDI we are contracted with Benton Convention Center with the contract that had been previously signed. In looking at line items in the budget::

- Line Items 43 and 44 Request associated with the speaker 2 speakers honorarium and travel along with lodging.
- Line Item 58 Interpreter \$1,800 budget for it, we have had attendees to need this service, has to be in the budget for PDI
- Line Item 62 \$3,200 budgeted for Parking.....Vouchers 10 hrs, process fee and cash reimbursement, Board members helped Joette handle these in 2019 and will need to again
- Face masks, hand sanitizer will need to be budgeted due to the pandemic

Brian Whitson asked about the amount of give-aways and the size of the reception, some enhancements will need to be spent or eliminated. Mike Tally asked if Grant-A-Wish was a part of the budget, it is. Ralston James asked if the income sheet comes from membership, registration and vendor fees. Budget is based on anticipated income. Hopeful 2021 will be like 2019 based on 80% of the 2019 comparison.

Our savings for NCSTA helps.

Manley mentioned 500 people will give us over this budget, 2 additional donors and fundraising efforts would greatly help. Ralston James mentioned that the Agriculture Commission is missing from outreach.

**Motion from the Finance Committee , no second needed Roll Call Vote taken  
Stated Motion: Finance Committee moves that NCSTA board approve the proposed budget amount of \$124, 219.00 The motion carried unanimously.**

**\*\*\*\*\*Outreach for Members Committee Reports\*\*\*\*\***

**1) Elementary: Manley Midgett**

Brad Rhew and Laura Lowder worked on this committee.

Since popular from the Fall, Spring dates will be held: February 18th, March 4th, March 18th and April 15th Free for members and \$30 for non-members

Focus on Content Standards on Grade Level the first one with a focus on Weather and Climate 1 hour, Registration opens on February 1st, Properties of Matter K-5 grade level March 4th Different plants taught at different grade levels, animals included The next one will focus on Evaluating for Understanding with the focus on Multiple Choice items and Formative Assessments. Did they get it as a summative measure, examples to use will be shared. Send this information to Gavin for DPI announcement and to NCSLA for advertisement

**2) Middle/High: Ann McClung**

3rd one was held last night with breakout sessions, all were well attended. 1st session 62 attended, 2nd session 68 attended and 72 attended last night

Google folders were shared with each participant; survey wants this to continue; attendees were ½ and ½ between middle school and high school teachers. Teachers liked the Virtual Share-A-Thons, board members were presenters and moderators for these 3 sessions. Evaluations were overwhelmingly positive. Lesson Plans with attendance earn CEU credits due date for this is February 26th  
March is a strong month for STEM Competitions Michelle Chadwick mentioned. Could the Student Competition Chair have flyers of the dates for these competitions?  
At the high school and middle school last outreach session the New Teacher Support Program was highlighted.

Carol Maidon PDI Conference Planning Report 2 proposed keynote speakers: 1st speaker---Christina Koch from NC State (astronaut) invite 6 months prior to PDI 2nd speaker is Kizzmekia “Kizzy” Corbett from Carrboro, NC, just recognized this week, She has worked with Dr. Anthony Fauci on the development of the Moderna vaccine.  
Carol reviewed the 3 strands: Digital Literacy, Blended & Hybrid Science Classes and STEM Lessons.

Theme was reviewed: “Launch Your Science Program To A Higher Orbit”  
Conference food is contingent on Registration at PDI, speakers will be both Thursday and Friday

Confirm the next meeting date for Thursday 3/25 at 6:30 p.m..

Ann McClung asked about the six meetings for the current year, they are 1.5 hour meetings rather than longer ones due to being held virtually, Historically with face-to-face meetings we meet 4 times a year on Saturdays with an emergency one if necessary.

Vendor space for the PDI will give us a snapshot for our registration. Manley’s budgeted \$500 travel expense will allow him to attend some virtual conferences. If we have to have a virtual conference, would it be 1 day or 2 days. We will have a September opening on Registration. Everyone will need to be pulled into help with planning and jobs at PDI. Next meeting March 25th at 6:30 p.m..

**Motion to Adjourn made by Cliff Hudson and 2nd by Carol Maidon.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m..

Respectfully submitted by Brad Woodard, NCSTA Secretary