

## **AZNEV Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 2013 Meeting 11:00-12:45 AM Conference Call** (Reviewed, corrected and approved 1/25/14)

### **Minutes**

Members in attendance (in bold) at phone conference: **Rob Bowker, Boyd Campbell, Pedro Chavez, Karen Conzelman**, Shafiu Jibrin, Bob McCord, **Theo Manno, Pamela Marshall**, Boris Poff, Doug Sims, **Florence Slater, Aregai Tecele**, Angela Schwendimen, Anthony Brazel, Victoria Henderson, and **Brian Wainscott**.

General welcome and phone connects

Call to order by President Pamela Marshall

Minutes from the June meeting approved without any changes.

### **REPORTS**

1. KC-Treasurer Funding for academy is in good shape. ~\$23,000 in account and some at ASU (exact amount only reported out at year's end), Money market with ~\$27,000, Educational Endowment Fund has ~\$ (current market value), Science Olympiad ~\$61,000, (operating fund and CD combined) (see attached for details)
2. FS-2013 Proceedings volume already sent out to board electronically and print version is in process.
3. TM-put out a newsletter last May. A discussion of the timeline for next newsletter ensued with another newsletter over winter possible. TM will also review by-laws for editorial changes (e.g., grammatical improvement and/or corrections) so that they can be proposed in an upcoming newsletter (as required by the by-laws) and voted on at the 2014 Annual Meeting. Will also make up a poster/press release to announce next annual meeting with PM's assistance.
4. Brian Wainscott has been getting the word out about the Academy at his college (College of Southern Nevada) and thus far has stirred up two new NV members. He also has four faculty interested in bringing students down to NAU meeting. He will go to UNLV to contact other faculty and students. If we can provide a press release, he would be able forward that electronically for distribution to various Nevada agencies.
5. AT is encouraging students/colleagues to get involved at NAU meeting. KC proposed that press release be sent to faculty newsletter at NAU. AT agreed and said he could also post posters around science departments
6. PM will announce meeting date to her ASU colleagues.

### **OLD AND NEW BUSINESS**

#### **U of A Open Source Repository:**

1. KC-Library at UA is in the final stages of digitizing the complete hydrology proceedings archives. PM has put a link to the repository on ANAS Facebook page.

2. The UA librarian has asked if we would like all Proceedings on line as an open source document – starting with those volumes we already have on the ANAS web page as pdfs and adding scans of those volumes that the library has in its holdings. This offer was discussed; board generally felt that the electronic exposure is good for AZNEV and that this provides a mechanism to get wider distribution for work and awareness of/regard for the organization in the scientific community. Plus UA is excited to have these digital holdings. Board approved.
7. The question “Is there a way to disseminate hydrology to other schools outside of the four associated with the AZNEV academy” was asked? Nothing concrete was decided or proposed.

### **2014 Annual Meeting:**

1. Meeting date and location: April 12th (week before Easter); Building 82 School of Forestry at NAU. The business meeting will be Friday night before papers/posters.
2. FS will disperse the deadlines for paper/poster/abstract submission and abstract forms. A reminder to poster winners was that they could not win best student paper unless they did a oral presentation the second year. Arrangements for judging best papers/posters needs to be set up.
3. Still need to identify section chairs so that they can start “stirring up” interest in presenting and members will know where abstracts are to be submitted. We need chairs in Hyrdology, Psychology, Geography, Science Education, and Conservation. FS will send out letters to former chairs to see if they are willing to return or can recommend someone else. The ideal situation would be to find section chairs (or local co-chair) from NAU because of the convenience of meeting location for NAU faculty and students. NAU faculty would have more local personal contacts in their discipline than most. Bob Lefevre said that he preferred to have an NAU chair for hydrology. AT is willing to do hydrology session if no one else can be found, but would prefer not to since he’ll be in charge of local arrangements and likely be very busy with managing that. RB will do biology, and PC will do Science Education if no one else can be found from NAU. AT plans to attempt to reconnect with some of the NAU professors that have brought students to the Flagstaff meetings and encourage them to attend.
4. AT is going to pursue access to classrooms. Administration has agreed to co-sponsor the event so the rental fees for rooms at NAU will be waived. He also wants to involve those from the forest service area and gain access to some of those few rooms if possible.
5. Registration fees was discussed Board felt that because grant funding was tight these days, it would be best to keep same registration fees to encourage attendance. Still plan to make online registration available through Paypal.
6. Sponsors: KC said that Pearson is usually willing to make a \$250 donation to help sponsor coffee break. AT said he would pursue local sponsors as his schedule permitted. KC said that meeting is usually close to paying for itself even without sponsors.

7. A brief discussion occurred regarding actively contacting GCU for presenters. No definitive decision was made.

**Board membership:**

1. President-elect still needed. The board is hoping to get a volunteer within next few months so that s/he will have time to overlap with PM prior to taking over in two years. BW was mentioned as a possibility, but since he has just recently joined the academy and is a new member of the board as director at large currently, this prospect is unlikely at least for this year.
2. Journal Editorship: Tony Brazel will continue in this role through Volume 45 and then plans to retire as editor. It would be good to find that person now so that there could be some overlap between TB and the new editor. Bob McCord has expressed interest in becoming the new editor and also has some prior editorial experience for other journals. He and TB will talk further before he makes a final commitment. KC and TB think that Cindy Zisner is willing to continue as Production Editor.

Our next board meeting was set for January 18<sup>th</sup> at 11 AM. It will also be a phone conference with the same format as this one.

Meeting adjourned.

**TREASURER'S REPORT - ARIZONA-NEVADA ACADEMY OF SCIENCE  
SEPTEMBER 7, 2013**

**GENERAL FUND:**

Operating Fund	
Wells Fargo Bank	\$ 23,065.76
ASU Account (as of 012/31/12)	\$401.09

<b>SHORT TERM RESERVE ACCOUNT (Vanguard Money Market)</b>	<b>\$ 27,016.26</b>
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**EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT FUND:**

Vanguard Index 500 Fund	\$ 36,642.28
(Current (9/7/13) market value: 239.195 shares @ \$153.19/share)	

**AFFILIATED ACTIVITIES**

Science Olympiad Account (WFB)	\$ 40,578.61
Science Olympiad CD	\$ 20,764.42
Science Bowl Account (WFB)	\$1,114.07