

MINUTES OF ANAS APRIL 11TH 2014 BOARD MEETING DINNER AND BOARD MEETING - NAU

Members in attendance (in bold): **Rob Bowker, Pedro Chavez, Karen Conzelman, Jennifer Hackney, Shafiu Jibrin, Bob McCord, Theo Manno, Pamela Marshall, Boris Poff, Florence Slater, Aregai Tecele, Angela Schwendiman, and Brian Wainscott.**

General welcome

Call to order by President Pamela Marshall

OLD BUSINESS

Nothing of significance.

NEW BUSINESS

2015 Annual Meeting:

Location: We should consider booking for 2015 meeting soon.

- PM can book space at ASUW and discuss financing with administration. Good idea to get another institution such as ASUW involved. KC asked that PM check to see exactly what any rental fees charges would cover (e.g., weekend hours of custodial staff, setting up room for luncheon or posters etc)
- KC offered to tentatively book GCC as a back-up location until ASUW could be finalized.
- BM stated that three private colleges had recently opened in downtown Mesa and that these should be approached as possible hosts for meeting in the future. He offered to pursue this direction.

Date: Based on elimination of several dates with conflicting events, it was decided that 2015 meeting would be April 11th.

Organization:

- AT stated we should be thinking about section chairs for sessions next year.
- BW-will try to recruit papers in Las Vegas area. Central Nevada State College is very interested in getting more involved because students are required to have a research project. His wife works for UNLV and she may be able to help with recruitment.
- KC indicated that Geology faculty at GCC may be willing to get more involved particularly if meeting is in Phoenix area.

Journal:

- KC asked whether we wanted to waive page charges for publication because we receive so much money from our participation in BioOne and JSTOR. For an individual article, page charges typically vary from \$200 to (rarely)\$1500. Many papers are from graduate students who do not have funding. Often these are waived anyway (with application of current policies).
- PM raised the point that reduced page charges are one of the perks of membership, and wondered whether we wanted to eliminate this benefit.
- Collection rate is fairly low on page charges.

- PM suggested page charges are going away for other journals and based on that we should get rid of page charges. PM moved that we abolish page charges-No one seconded.
- PC suggested we keep our current policy.
- Decided we will continue as is for another year and then re-evaluate.

Digital repository:

- BW reported that UNLV offered a digital repository for work presented at meeting held on campus. Repository archives pdf files of posters, power point slides, and word documents submitted by presenters via UNLV liaison. (Link to AAAS-Pacific Division meeting's repository is http://digitalscholarship.unlv.edu/aaas_pacific_conf/2013/ They also offer online/searchable repository for any scholarly works of faculty and students (open source). More information at <http://digitalscholarship.unlv.edu/about.html>

Questioned whether similar services were available at NAU/GCC/ASUW?
This was suggested as something to pursue for future meetings

Open Positions on the Board:

President-Elect:

- KC was suggested, but she is so integral in the Treasurers position that this would be disruptive to overall functioning
- TM was also proposed. PM attempted to sell TM on the president's job by outlining duties.

Webmaster:

- KC filling in this capacity for now, but she is more than willing to pass the responsibilities to someone else as long as they would keep it current.
- AT suggested we find someone dedicated for long run – possibly paying a company to manage
- BW indicated that he had a colleague who might be interested and he would contact him.

Newsletter Editor:

- If TM takes over as President-Elect, we will need someone else to take over the newsletter. TM indicated that he would continue for now.

Central Arizona Director:

- PM willing to become Central Director when her term as President ends.

2014 Meeting:

There was discussion of general meeting logistics and arrangements – e.g., where things were going to occur (e.g. posters, luncheon), how to handle business meeting in Forestry building lobby without PA system, financial arrangements with sponsors, judges for best student work.

Other reports: None

Meeting adjourned.