

AATC Executive Council Meeting Agenda
Saturday, October 12, 2013
Artistry - DoubleTree O'Hare, Chicago
1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Welcome: Stern, Masko, Bohan, Bailey, Garza, Cloninger, Uhrmacher, Zemach, Haraway, White, Conrad, Flynn, Pecore, Ross, Chan, (Harris, Bickham, not notified of change in meeting time; Moch, Breault, unable to attend)

Introduction of New Members:

- Donna Breault
- Ruben Garza
- Joe Flynn
- Dana Haraway

Approval of Minutes from Thurs, Oct 10th Executive Council Meeting – So approved

Executive Council Responsibilities: Barbara Stern

- Attendance at mid-year and fall meetings
 - Mid-term meeting date – Group agreed on March 8th; Lynne will check all February/March available Saturdays
- Leadership roles: Every elected Executive Council Member needs committee to oversee or a specific assigned responsibility.
 - Roles were assigned based on volunteer choices (see below)

Executive Secretary Report

- Conference Attendance – several people registered on site; totals will be reported at spring meeting
- Financial – final figures will be reported at spring meeting; Chara requested data illustrating how conference fees are allocated during the actual event for consideration of what might be diverted to AV needs; Lynne will prepare an analysis and report on these data for last 3-5 years
- Website update – Web.com inactivated the aatchome.org website, without authorization, in order to begin new construction; as Web.com was unable to repost the original site, AATC was issued a full refund of fees (799.00) in addition to the fees invoiced to retain the domain account (504.35); John Pecore requested we use a designer who can rebuild the site with a fully online proposal/review/acceptance process; Lynne will research a potential vendor/designer who has done such a site (per John's suggestion):

<http://theaste.org/>

The Association for Science Teacher Education

by John Rhea Design

<http://johnrhea.com/>

If John Rhea is available, and costs are similar or less than those of Web.com, Lynne will forward details to EC for input and approval; In the meantime, Lynne is collecting updated content from several individuals who maintain various segments/pages of the website; The most recent web map is attached with responsible individuals noted; Yellow highlighted sections require submission as soon as possible, so the site can be relaunched in a timely manner.

Chicago Conference Debriefing (Brad Conrad, Program Chair)

- Positives – large international presence compared to other years; very encouraging feedback from the attendees representing: Columbia, Africa, Italy, Asia, and the Netherlands.
- Problems – need for follow up preconference to ensure programs and materials have been secured and shipped: plastic folders, nametags with cords, and pre-labeled folders for all accepted presenters; As many founding members are retiring, check with Lynne to add names to list of those who are attending, but not necessarily presenting, so they might have pre-assembled materials as well.
- Concerns – the issue of whether or not to fund the cost of AV resources continues to be discussed with varying levels of support for the expenditure from the EC; Lynne will present data for discussion and decision making at the spring meeting
- Graduate student lunch facilitator, Jason Trumble, has submitted feedback from the Graduate Student group; see attached notes for discussion and decision making in the spring
- Requests for the return of special sessions to encourage longer attendance of guest speakers: Retrospective panels; Presidential session: Shared speakers' conversation
- Request to study conference schedule for placement of end of conference business meeting: 1:30-3:30? 12:30-2:30? Ending the conference at 12:30 or 1:30 on Saturday would allow already secured meeting spaces to be used for business meeting without having to alter contract with hotel. Discussion of placement of graduate student lunch has been requested by graduate student attendees (see graduate student lunch feedback submitted by Jason Trumbel)
- Lynne issued a post-conference survey to 111 conference participants (piloted to EC first) and will report results for discussion and decision making at spring meeting

Book Fair Coordinator

2013 Report: Michelle Tenam-Zemach – more than 200.00 was collected from this year's fair; Michelle will continue to facilitate book fair efforts w/support from Matthew Spurlin

Curriculum and Teaching Dialogue: David Flinders, Bruce Uhrmacher, Christy Moroye (reappointed as editors) Christy has issued material for the website.

Awards Committee Facilitators: 2014

- Dissertation Awards: Chara Bohan
- O.L. Davis Jr. Book Award: Megan Kennedy w/guidance from Chara Bohan; Chara has issued material for the website.
- Frances P. Hunkins Distinguished Article Award: Christy Moroye? Christy has issued material for the website.

Other Positions Needing Leadership

- Nominations and Elections: Chara Bohan
- 2013-14 Newsletter Chairperson: Bradley Conrad
- 2013-14 Graduate Student Coordinator: Ruben Garza w/support from Sarah Ramsey
- 2013-14 Outreach Coordinators: Amy Masko, Kevin Cloninger, Rich Biffle, and Pamela Thompson
- Membership Committee: Shelley Harris, Bill White, and Joe Flynn
- Writer's Workshop: Cheryl Craig and Bruce Uhrmacher
- Historians: Elaine Chan, Vicki Ross, and Candace Schlein
- Conference Venue/Membership Attendance Inquiry: Bruce Uhrmacher, Lynne Bailey, Rich Biffle, and Joe Flynn will act on committee to study attendance trends over last several years; Findings will inform more focused efforts to encourage increased and repeat attendance; Findings will also be used to inform future venue choices

21st Annual Conference: Tampa: John Pecore

- Date: October 9-11, 2014
- Hotel: Hilton Tampa Airport – Westshore
2225 North Lois Avenue
Tampa, FL 33607
813-877-6688
- Speakers: Peter Taubman, Gloria Ladson-Billings, Michael and Ilene Berson (conversation on internet safety in schools), Stephen Thornton (conversation?)
- Pre-Conference: John Pecore has suggested Moses House for a potential pre-conference outing; Lynne will research transportation options.
- Dates for submission, review, etc. – Call for proposals has been issued and will be reissued frequently via List Serve and Website, when relaunched

Meeting adjourned: 2:30 by Barbara Stern; seconded by Masko, Haraway