

# Pre-Conference Board Meeting Thursday, May 7, 2020

- Matt called meeting to order at 7:03 pm
  In attendance was Matt Berry, Kevin Lawrence, Susan Pritchard, Tina Scott, Cathy Doan,
  Sean Bortnem, Chad Borns, Marissa Clark, Billie Wicks, Emily Nelson
- II. Chad shared the financial status with the board members.
- III. Matt made a motion to approve winter meeting minutes. Susan seconded it.
- IV. Presidents Report Kevin
  - a. Facebook Presence
    - i. Kevin has been putting a lot of emphasis in building our FB presence and so far has it seems to have had a positive response. This has been done by posting new content and posting more often.
    - ii. Our FB page has had 73 new followers. From 575 to 648.
  - b. Midwest Advocacy Group Conference Call
    - i. Goal: to brainstorm how best to build advocacy amongst the different ASRT affiliates in the Midwest.
    - ii. Annual Conferences: other states are also doing what we are doing by hosting Zoom meetings in lieu of hosting physical conferences.
    - iii. North Dakota Affiliate is willing to help us get started with Member Planet if we need it.

#### c. ARRT

- i. ARRT reached out and is wondering if we would like a lobbyist in Pierre.
- ii. This lobbyist would help to share our position on different bills that would come to the floor that may affect our profession.
- iii. ARRT is willing to help us organize the establishment of this lobbyist if we want it.

## V. Committee Reports

- a. Scientific Papers/Exhibits Sean
  - i. 5 submissions for papers, but will not be able to have any presentations because there will not be a physical conference.
    - Kevin and Susan suggested there be a short post on FB for the presentations. Billie, one of the presenters, agreed that would be a good next move. They will be posted on FB after the conference business meetings.
    - 2. Papers will be judged off of the paper submissions instead of a presentation.
  - ii. The educators decided to not extend the April 1<sup>st</sup> deadline for exhibits. There were 5 exhibits submitted.
  - iii. After judging: the top 3 papers and 3 exhibits will each get a prize mailed to them. Prizes expected to go out next week.
- b. Convention Report Kevin

- i. Mitchell is keeping all of their plans and hosting in 2021.
- ii. Sioux Falls will be hosting in 2022
- iii. People who paid for the convention through PayPal have been refunded. Chad was wondering how the paper checks were being dealt with, Kevin will reach out to Paula or Lisa to answer this question.
- iv. The next Zoom meeting (the first conference business meeting) has 16 confirmations.

#### VI. Business

### a. Unfinished Business

- i. Procedures & Policies Update Kevin is wrapping up the updates, they will be ready after conference.
- ii. Bylaws Update Kevin posted the bylaws a couple of months ago on both the website and FB. There have been no conflicts or concerns. They will be voted on next meeting.
- iii. Website The website is transitioning to the GoDaddy management platform and Matt will be handing off management to Kevin.

#### b. New Business

- Zoom Pro Chad looked at the cost of using Zoom Pro, it is \$14.99 per month. The board decided to keep on using the free version of Zoom because it seems like the time constraints shouldn't be a problem.
- ii. Instillation of Officers Kevin has connected with the ASRT and Joe Whitton, the Speaker of the House for the ASRT, is going to do our instillation of officers. Kevin would like to reserve the last 5-10 minutes of our business meeting for the instillation.
- VII. Next meeting will be the First Conference Business Meeting on Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am via Zoom.
- VIII. Adjourned by Matt at 7:29pm