SCIENCE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION of NYS (STANYS)

Suffolk Section

Executive Committee Meeting BOCES, 507 Deer Park Road, Dix Hills, NY 11746

Minutes to Meeting: September 3, 2015

Members Present: Jean Kohn, Gary Vorwald, Matt Christiansen, Brian Vorwald, June Dawson, James Ripka, Sheilah Schumann, Melissa Torre, Angela Lukaszewski

Meeting called to order at 7:20 pm.

Minutes of June 3, 2015

G. Vorwald

James moved to accept the minutes as amended. Brian seconded. Minutes were accepted unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

A. Lukaszewski

- Angela presented the budget for 2015-16. Melissa mover to accept and Brian seconded. Approved
- The awards dinner gratuity of \$80 was sent to the matre de.
- ➤ Sheilah is still working on the teacher school addresses and email addresses so that we have a master distribution list. The June meeting approved an allocation of \$500 for Sheilah to generate the lists. Our current list is 2 year's old, and we need an updated list for our fall mailings.
- ➤ Glen will contact Jason H. to see if we could get the current list he got through a FOIL to NYSED for the Suffolk teachers.

Committee Reports

A. Programs

A. Bloch

- No Report
- B. SciTech Conference (formerly MATEX)

- J. Kohn/M. Christiansen
- ➤ Significant discussion regarding the 9/28/15 event
- > Two mailings went out to the old teacher list most recent 8/24.
- Registration is a concern with our "break even" point of around 120 paid participants
- All the list serves have been contacted. A revised flyer with workshop details will be posted/emailed 9/8
- ➤ Vendor registration is OK but the list of companies to be contacted will be split with Jean, Ashley, and Matt for additional contact.
- > Volunteers: June, Angela, Gary, James, Melissa, Jean, Ashley, Sonja, Matt, Glen
- C. Newsletter G.Vorwald

Fall newsletter end of September. Send articles

D. Membership

S. Schumann

We have 251 members, which includes 204 paying members and 45 students. We have 36 members more than this time last year.

E. Long Island Science Congress

A. Lukaszewski

The 2016 Long Island Science Congress will be held at St. Joseph's College in Patchogue next Spring.

F. State Science Congress

G. Cochrane

Western Section will host. Susan Sullivan will serve as director. No information is available from the

G. Website M. Christiansen

- Website is very nicely done and the Board is very appreciative of all the work Matt has done.
- Minutes have been uploaded to the website

H. Spring Conference

J. Malave

No report. Date April 1, 2016

I. Awards Dinner/District Membership

M. Brown/B. Vorwald

Districts have paid district memberships and letters to the Administrators will got out in October Next year, the date will be May 18 or 19.

Additional Topics:

a. Gary coordinated a trip to Niagara Falls region August 19-22, 2015. 18 people total (12 adults, 6 kids) Western Section had a picnic, collected fossils, Gary lead a White Water Tour of a river area.

Adjournment

Motion: Gary moved to adjourn; second by Matt. Passed unanimously

Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 1, 2015

Meeting Dates: 2015-16

11/12 Th (smaller Conf room)

12/3 Th

January TBA

2/3 W

3/3 TH

4/6 W

5/5 Th

6/1 W