

Minutes of the Kansas Academy of Science Board Meeting of July 9, 2004

The Board of the Kansas Academy of Science met at 10:00 AM at the James Aber home on Lake Kahola in Lyon County. The meeting was called to order by President James Taylor at 1:00 PM.

Lunch was provided by Mr. and Mrs. Aber.

Board members present: James Aber, Mike Everhart, Joanna Foster, Brenda Oppert, Steve Palubiki, David Saunders, Amy Strong and James Taylor.

The minutes of the April 16, 2004 were discussed and approved.

Brenda Oppert provided the latest treasurer's report:

Savings:	\$ 8,885.43
Checking	\$ 23,839.92
CD	\$ 15,058.81
Total	\$ 47,784.16

Brenda reported that the joint meeting with the MAS in April actually made money for the KAS.

James Aber (Transactions Co-Editor) transferred checks to the treasurer for receipts of money for author's page charges in the upcoming volume of the Transactions.

Brenda Oppert brought up the issue of bonding for the Treasurer. Mike Everhart volunteered to check on the issues of accounting practices / bonding / and audits and report at the next meeting..

The KAS web report (Sam Leung) indicated that traffic was increasing on the KAS website.

James Aber (Transactions Co-Editor) noted that 59 pages had been approved for the Fall volume.

Johanna Foster provided written (4 page) report regarding the 2004 Annual Meeting and noted that it was a good meeting with no major problems. She also indicated that she is well into planning for the 2005 Meeting at the Johnson County Community College. Lists of new student and non-student members were provided to the board.

Wichita State University is tentatively scheduled to host the 2006 Meeting. Mike Everhart / Larry Skelton are to meet with Dr. Bischoff to discuss arrangements.

James Taylor read the Past President's Report (Larry Skelton) regarding nominations for officers. Larry indicated that he was still looking for a nominee for Vice President.

Amy Strong (KJAS) requested funding to help send a student to the National Junior Academy of Science Meeting. A motion was made, seconded and approved to provide \$500

to the KJAS for that purpose.

Brenda Oppert provided the 2003 report in regard to the agreement between the KAS and BioOne for the right to provide electronic copies of the Transactions. The report noted that income from the sales of the electronic versions had not yet reached the point where the KAS would receive any money. Also it was decided to terminate our agreement with the Gale Group (Info Track / Hi-Beam) for similar services.

The Fall Field Trip was discussed. Jim Tripplet is hosting a trip to the Southeast Kansas Nature Center, in Galena, Kansas on September 18.

A discussion was held regarding the newly approved KAS Grants. James Taylor asked about how potential participants would be notified. It was decided that a special mailing should be made to the KAS membership with information on this subject and the Fall Field Trip.

The agenda item regarding scanning of the older volumes of the Transactions was deferred.

The issue of a standard form / scoring for judging papers and poster at the annual KAS meeting was discussed. Copies of previous KAS forms were provided and reviewed.

James Taylor reported that contact had been made with him regarding permission to re-publish an article on the KAS position on the evolution / creationism issue. He indicated he would contact the author, Rex Buchanon.

Meeting adjourned about 3 PM. A group photo was taken for publication in the Transactions.

Mr. and Mrs. Aber were thanked by the Board for their hospitality.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Everhart,
President-Elect / Recording Secretary