

Kansas Academy of Science

Winter Board Meeting

April 7, 2017

The Meeting was called to order by President Lynnette Sievert at 8:30 PM following the Keynote address of the 149th annual KAS meeting.

Those present were Lynnette Sievert, Duane Hinton, David McKenzie, Erin Morris, Hank Guarisco, Mark LaBarge, Kim Simons, Pam Everhart, Mike Everhart, Sam Leung, Hermann Nonnenmacher, Scott Kimball and W. Brett Whitenack.

The winter meeting minutes were approved.

The treasurer's report was discussed and approved.

The membership report was discussed and approved.

Mike Everhart reported that the Transactions are to go to the printer April 14 and that previous issues with Allen Press have been worked out so that everything is running smoothly.

The KJAS Director reported that at this time & students had qualified to attend the national meeting.

Hank Guarisco reported that most of the newsletters are now being distributed by email with a few still going out as printed hardcopies.

The Annual meeting was discussed with the meeting organizer stating that 101 individuals preregistered. He also discussed the challenges of organizing the meeting with little documentation from previous meetings to use as a guide. The committee again discussed the need for a written guide on organizing and running the annual meetings so that future organizers will have a reference source to help them. Some of the things discussed that needed to be thought about include setting up the website early with credit card capabilities for the early registration and abstract submission forms. Make sure that campus locations for the meeting are reserved early and that the speakers are contacted at least a year in advance to insure that we have good quality speakers for our annual meetings.

Old business:

Erin and Scott reported that they had finalized production of KAS flyers that can be handed out at places like the Baker wetlands visitor center and other natural resource locations to help introduce and educate the general public to the KAS.

New business:

We discussed next year's 150th annual meeting to be held on the campus of Washburn University. Rodrigo Mercader and Shawn Schmidt have agreed to be the meeting organizers. We are going to hold this meeting in conjunction with the Kansas Entomological Societies annual meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

Duane Hinton, Vice President