

**Kansas Academy of Science Executive Board Minutes**  
**Meeting of Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022**

Meeting called to order at 11:02 am.

Members Present: Mark LaBerge, Dustin Wilgers, Shaun Schmidt, Stewart Gardner, Sam Leung, Erin Morris, Jill Fisher, Joanna Gress, Lani Witters, Pam Everhart, Dustin Wilgers, Bruce Atwater (secretary)

Previous meetings minutes approved with amendment to JKAS section. Unanimous approval with amendment.

### **Reports**

#### Treasurer's Report by Shaun Schmidt

- \$101,000 in bank which is a profit of \$3,600 due to no grants going out. Report sent to accountant for taxes. About \$104,000 in account for 2022. Report was unanimously approved.
- Budget for upcoming year not decreased for printing to keep a buffer.
- Discussion among committee about lack of grant applications. Erin and Pam working edit the application document and drum-up applications respectively.
- "New Business" of the Treasurer was that the bonding agent wants us to be audited year;y. It was voted on and approved unanimously for a by-law change to be presented that would have the VP be the auditor with a committee if needed. Shaun sent the by-law change out later and it was approved by the members present.

#### Secretary's Report by Sam Leung

- 136 members of KAS.
- 42 members renewed online through the new system making up 40% of all renewals being done online.
- Report approved unanimously.

#### JKAS Report by Jill Fisher

- KJAS award still open and meeting for April 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### Transactions Report

- 1 rejected and 6 accepted publications.
- Need readers to submit cool science photos for photo essay. Put directions for submission and request up on website.
- KAS has granted nonexclusive royalties to BioOne. KAS can have online access for members and violate rights.
- = Recommended that we renew association with Allen Press. Getting cost information for the April meeting.

#### Grants Coordinator Report

- Had 3 undergraduate grants submitted and funded along with one high school applicant funded.
- No K-12 applications fielded and going to recheck the grant language to help clarify it.

## **Old Business**

### 2022 Annual Meeting

- KS Entomologist organization needs people to submit and participate.
- Website is up and running and abstract submission is up and running as well.
- Flyers to be sent out to help advertise the meeting.
- Macpherson for 2023 and Emporia for 2024.

## **New Business**

### Social Media Editor

- Need a hire with pay to maintain presence.
- Look into pay scale as well as possible grant support for position.

### By-Law Amendment

- Shaun sent out the by-law amendment discussed above for the audit. Amendment was discussed and slightly altered. Altered amendment was unanimously approved by members present.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:24 pm.