

Eastern Colleges Science Conference Board Meeting 2009 –April 25th, 2009–Wagner College, Staten Island, NY

Attending

Michael Kotarski (Chairman), Niagara University

Don Stearns (President), Wagner College

Jay Pike (Vice President), Providence College

Lance Evans (Treasurer), Manhattan College

Kirk Bartholomew (Secretary), Sacred Heart University

Brian Palestis, Wagner College

Erica Kipp, Pace University

Cindy Scheibe, Ithaca College

Jack Breen, Providence College

Zafia Gagmon, Marist College

Howard Berthold, Lycoming College

Roy Mosher, Wagner College

Martin Kapper, Central CT State University

Barry Hoopengardner, Central CT State University

Walter Steiner, Niagara University

Cyrilla Wideman, John Carroll University

Helen Murphy, John Carrol University

Nicanor Austriaco, Providence College

Suzanne Deschenes, Sacred Heart University

Carl Hoegler, Mt St Mary College

Terence McGarvey, Lycoming College

Minutes

- Mike Kotarski called meeting to order
- Erica Kipp, Pace University, was nominated for board membership, seconded, and approved by acclamation (Pace to host ECSC 2010)
- Pat Schoknecht, Director of IT at Wagner College, introduced
 - o Excellence of web interface commented on and discussed
 - o Possibility of Wagner IT Department's providing web infrastructure to future host universities discussed (or possibly hosting the web interface locally at Wagner and linking to conference institution)
- Minutes of 2008 meeting approved (Suzanne Deschenes' name removed from attendance list)
- Jay Pike, representative to incorporating body in Rhode Island, spoke to officially open the meeting for business—call for information about corporation made that should come to attention of the board made and left open for duration of meeting.
 - o Call for corporate information made
- Don Stearns reported on ECSC 2009 meeting
 - o 320 registrants, 170 presenters (51 platform and 118 poster), 21 schools Represented
 - o Attendance judged typical for ECSC
- Jay Pike commented on filing for incorporation in Rhode Island (\$40 fee, \$20 late fee, application has been late for the past two years—discussed reasons and need for a mechanism to enable on-time filing)
- Lance Evans stated that ECSC has ~\$3,000 in funds on hand
- Old business
 - o Multiple author presentation discussed (2009 rules limited presentations to a single presenter/poster or platform talk)
 - o Considerable discussion on merits of 2009 rule
 - o Board consensus that multiple presenters be allowed with the following general guidelines:
 - No more than 3 presenters per poster or platform presentation

- Presenters must be clearly identified prior to presentation (identified on judging forms)
 - Single award to platform or poster presentation (not individual awards to presenters)
 - Motion made and seconded to accept Board consensus on multiple author presentations pending review of final language, motion seconded and passed by acclamation
- New business discussed and conclusions
 - Can presenters give two posters?—Conclusion: Yes, current rules permit this—no change
 - Can non-host institutions promote programs at ECSC?—Up to host institution—no modification of current rules
 - Can casual registrants attend registration free?—potential problems discussed, in principle yes, no firm rules decided, decision largely the province of the host institution
 - Mechanism for dissemination of minutes discussed—Secretary to deliver to Chairman and President by June 1 of conference year
 - Should we continue awards—Yes—discussion to continue
 - Web publication of submitted manuscripts? No. Abstracts?
- Terence McGarvey, Lycoming College, nominated for board membership, seconded and approved by acclamation
- Motion made for adjournment, seconded, meeting adjourned.

Minutes Submitted by Kirk Bartholomew, Sacred Heart University, June 9, 2009