Association for Science Teacher Education September 2023 Board Check-In Minutes
Held virtually Sept. 12 & 13, 2023

Day One Sept. 12, 2023
Approved by Board January 13, 2024

Agenda: a check-in with each Board member and executive team

Present: Andrea Borowczak (President)
Rommel Miranda (Past President)
Bill McComas (President Elect)
Lisa Borgerding (Conference Planning Committee Chair) Late
Stephen Burgin (Awards Committee Chair) Afternoon only
Xavier Fazio (Membership & Participation Chair)
Rita Hagevik (Communications Committee Chair)
Corinne Lardy (Professional Development Committee Chair)
Erin Peters-Burton (Equity Committee Chair)
Lisa Brown (NSTA Dir. of Preservice Teacher Ed.)
Kate Popejoy (Executive Director)
Maria Wallace (Incoming Director of Electronic Services)
Vanashri Nargund-Joshi (Publications Committee Chair)

Absent: Mark Bloom (Publications Committee Co-chair)
Amanda Gunning (Regions Committee Chair)

Andrea called meeting into order 9:30AM (all times in eastern time)

Items discussed:

- NSTA Partnership committee and affiliation...streamlining the membership in the committee and adjusting the terms to the ASTE schedule rather than the NSTA schedule. [ASTE SOPs state that committee terms are January to January, so these should be adjusted.]
- Position statements...still working on updating them, but that takes time
- Reminder to all to contribute to the Newsletter on a regular basis...can be a short update.
- Award winners have all been selected and notified
- Communications
  - working on adding committee members
  - considering adding a PDF version of the Newsletter
  - Hope to have new LinkedIn page ready at conference time
• **Conference Planning**
  - 2024 (New Orleans) proposals have been decided and notified.
  - Works in Progress submissions in progress
  - Land acknowledgement process for New Orleans is underway
  - Discussion about how to make virtual experiences meaningful

• **Equity**
  - Two special sessions at the conference
  - Call for Reflection virtual session in November
  - Led to discussion about other committees doing virtual sessions

• **Membership**
  - Mentor/mentee nexus moving along
  - Lapsed member survey is being deployed
  - Conference ribbons to designate membership committee members and mentors

• **Professional Development**
  - Call for virtual sessions to be deployed soon
  - PD workshop proposals for 2024 conference have been processed
  - Working with Science Teacher Residencies forum on their virtual workshop

• **Publications**
  - Planning conference sessions about work of publications
  - Two applications for new Innovations editors

• **President**
  - Presidential team will attend National Academy of Sciences CASTL K12 in November at no cost

Meeting adjourned at 11:48

**Day Two** September 13, 2023

**Agenda:** a check-in with each Board member and executive team

**Present:**

Andrea Borowczak (President)
Rommel Miranda (Past President)
Bill McComas (President Elect)
Lisa Borgerding (Conference Planning Committee Chair)
Kate Popejoy (Executive Director)
Jennifer Stark (2024 Local Conference Chair)
Mark Bloom (Publications Committee Co-chair)
Stephen Burgin (Awards Committee Chair) Afternoon only
Xavier Fazio (Membership & Participation Chair)
Amanda Gunning (Regions Committee Chair)
Rita Hagevik (Communications Committee Chair)
Andrea called meeting to order at 10:30AM (eastern time)

MOTION from Bill McComas. Seconded by Stephen Burgin
Provides funds as follows for the Graduate Student Forum’s Three Minute Thesis competition prizes: First place: $150, Second place: $100, Third place: $75, People’s Choice: $50
Passes unanimously.

Items discussed:
- Possible archive of syllabi, but who will evaluate before placement on the archive
- Land acknowledgement in NOLA
  - Local team does not feel knowledgeable enough to do this, and would like tribal representation
  - Will work with Equity Committee on this
- Virtual conferences to accommodate those in California when we meet in banned states [Item is now moot as California rescinded the law in October 2023]
- PD would be happy to collaborate with all committees and forums to do online experiences
- NSTA partnership
  - Is it too one-way?
  - Many opportunities for collaboration
  - Might need more reciprocal board relationships
  - Many members find NSTA resources useful
  - Presidential team members can designate people to go to the affiliated meetings

Meeting adjourned at 11:45AM.