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Council of State Science Supervisors

Board Meeting

January 14, 2014

Board Members in Attendance: Juan Carlos Aguilar (GA), Anita Bernhardt (ME), Peter McLaren (RI), Ellen Ebert (WA), CJ Evans (MO), Sean Elkins (KY), Matt Krehbiel (KS), and Linda Jordan (TN)

Board Minutes: The Board approved the December CSSS Board minutes online.

Executive Secretary Report – Linda reported that numbers for lodging will be adjusted to a larger numbers of rooms for 2014.

Linda reported that Kelli Key from TI is sponsoring the Tuesday night event. Linda reported that CSSS has not yet secured a sponsor for Monday night's field trip and the reception will be held off site at Boston area restaurant. Linda is waiting to hear back from Pearson for sponsorship of one of the lunches.

Linda has sent in a request to NSTA to secure space for CSSS area conference meetings. As a result of our pending PAEMST contract CSSS must allocate time during the annual conference and during CSSS area conference meetings to share information related to Presidential Awards.

Treasurer's Report – C.J. Evans reported CSSS received the final payment from the Pittsburgh BCSSE meeting this week.

Triangle Coalition requested that CSSS share a copy of the 990 IRS form as a confirmation of the organization's annual operating budget. The board accepted the recommendation from CJ to share with the Triangle Coalition a copy of only the CSSS operating budget instead of our 990 IRS form.

CJ reported that CSSS is still not under contract with Booz-Allen Hamilton for this year's PAEMST program. CJ and Linda reported that they have received numerous inquiries from PAEMST State Coordinators regarding reimbursement for program expenses.

New Business

Dues - The Board voted to modify membership dues and registration fees for 2014.

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Anita made a motion to increase annual dues for all members to \$40 and increase the conference registration fee to \$160 for 2014. The motion was seconded by Matt and passed unanimously.

Sean motioned to amend the prior motion to hold annual dues at \$25 for members who are retired from employment in the field of science education. The board agree in the following definition for a retiree "A retiree is a person who is not currently involved in any activity related to science education for which he/she is receiving compensation." The motion was seconded by Peter. The motion passed with a vote of 5 in favor, and two opposed.

The 2014 budget discussion was tabled until February.

Membership Awards – Peter made a motion to have CSSS award an honorary membership award during the 2014 conference. The motion was seconded by Anita and passed unanimously.

Juan Carlos made a motion to move to Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Peter and passed unanimously.

Juan Carlos made a motion to move to out of Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Matt and passed unanimously.

Peter made a motion to approve the Treasurer's contract as written. The motion was seconded by Anita and unanimously approved. The Board applauds CJ for her tireless efforts on behalf of CSSS.

Tiffany Neill (OK) contacted Juan Carlos regarding the auction donation from the 2013. CJ will send a check for the CSSS donation to Tiffany to award to the school.

Matt reported that the conference planning continues to move forward. The Board extends its appreciation to the Matt and the conference planning committee for their hard work.

Juan Carlos made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20. The motion was seconded by Ellen and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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Anita Bernhardt
Secretary, CSSS

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