

## Council of State Science Supervisors

February 9, 2016

Board Members: **Rachel Aazzerah (OR), Juan Carlos Aguilar (GA), C.J. Evans (MO), Linda Jordan (TN), Tiffany Neill (OK), Sam Shaw (SD) and Sarah Young (UT).**

### **Old Business/Updates:**

January 12, 2016 CSSS board meeting minutes were approved online.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

CJ stated that we currently have 29 participants registered for the annual CSSS conference in Nashville. She explained to the board that the annual conference budget needed to be amended in order to include the funds needed to purchase a copy of *A Vision and Plan for Science Teaching and Learning* for each conference attendee.

***Sarah made the motion to accept the amended budget to include \$2,500 that would be used to purchase the books for the annual conference. Tiffany seconded the motion and the motion carried.***

### **Director of Operations Report:**

Linda gave a PAEMST update and stated that our contractor expressed a concern that not many state coordinators were able to attend the most recent webinar and suggested that CSSS reinforce the need for them to begin attending. Our PAEMST contractor also reminded state coordinators to send in alumni contact information if they are able to. Contractor has sent PAEMST files for posting on respective websites, requested that coordinators notify their 2015 finalists if they haven't and to provide feedback on the reasons why they haven't been actively engaged in the PAEMST process.

### **New Business:**

#### **Conference Update**

Sarah discussed with the board the different meeting design layout options that were available, as well as explained that she had adjusted the conference agenda based on feedback from the board in order to include additional time during lunch on Tuesday for the election speeches, as well as to learn about a potential grant opportunity that CSSS could be involved in.

Sarah also explained that the room block at the Hutton hotel is full.

Linda has continued to work on the Monday (March 28, 2016) social event at the Adventure Science Center. A survey was sent out to the CSSS membership in order to see if there was enough interest to hold the event if members were required to pay the per diem rate (\$26.00) to attend. There was enough interest and so Linda sent out an

email to the membership explaining that there is a 50 participant cap and to send their payment to CJ ASAP.

## **Elections**

Juan-Carlos stated that the elections committee had determined that the following CSSS members had been nominated to participate in the CSSS board election at the annual conference:

### 1<sup>st</sup> Year Director

- Doug Paulson
- Cathy Mackey

### President Elect

- Tiffany Neill
- Sam Shaw

### President

- Ellen Ebert

Juan-Carlos stated that he has requested each of the candidates to email their position statements to him and then he will send them out to the membership to review.

## **Committee Updates**

Tiffany discussed that she had heard from each of the committee co-chairs and that each has planned events for the annual conference. She plans to follow up with the co-chairs before the annual conference. She also explained that the technology committee co-chairs wants to discuss with the other committee co-chairs about how their work can infuse into the other committees work.

Sarah made the motion to adjourn. Tiffany seconded. The motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rachel Aazzerah

CSSS Board Secretary