

Oklahoma Academy of Science
Minutes of the Executive Council Meeting
4 Nov 2021
East Central University, Ada, OK

Meeting Called to Order at 7:06 PM

Those in Attendance: Robert Mather, Karen Williams, Adam Ryburn, Daniel McInnis, Mark Peaden, Charles Crittall, Randall Maples, Jerry Bowen, Brent Bidy, and Richard Butler (Recording Secretary) in person. Lindsey Long, Mostafa Elshahed, David Bass, Rachel Jones, Mehmet Aktas, April Nesbit, Avishek Mitra, Jeff Seger, Ben Tayo, Xia Lei, Esra Akbas, Jason Shaw, Nikki Seagraves, William Stern, and Nesreen Alsbou by Zoom.

1. Introductions
2. Special thanks - read by Robert Mather
3. Meeting updates/Announcements from host coordinator - Karen Williams. 193 pre-registered attendees.
4. Resolution to thank the host institution
5. Minutes of the November 5, 2020 Executive Council Meeting - Richard Butler. Jeff Seger noticed his name was not on the list of attendees. Memo to amend the minutes to add Jeff Seger to the updated minutes. Jerry Bowen made a motion to approve the minutes as amended, Mark Peaden seconded.
6. Financial Report - Adam Ryburn. Current as of 2 Nov 2021. Mark Peaden made a motion to approve the financial report, Jerry Bowen seconded.
Technical issues with the sound
7. Future meetings of OAS - Robert Mather.
 - a. 2022 Spring Event - Jerry Bowen recommended Tulsa for one of a few activities, including Pub Run, the Gathering Place, or the Jenks Aquarium. Rachel Jones recommended a lab event, such as a Paleontology Lab.
 - Rachel Jones made a motion for discussion of Spring Event in Tulsa, Mark Peaden seconded
 - b. 2022 Fall Field Meeting - Sep 23-25, joint meeting with OK Native Plant Society at Lake Murray State Park, Ardmore (Ryburn)
 - c. 2022 Technical Meeting Suggestions - Oklahoma Christian University could host, but it would have to be the last week of Oct. Rachel Jones recommended, USAO. Robert Mather recommended to table the idea for discussion.
8. Academy Reports, Proposals, Questions, and Discussion
 - a. POAS - Mostafa Elshahed, Editor. POAS will be ready by mid-January. Recommendation made to increase the per page charges from \$35/page for members to \$40/page for members, and from \$90/page for nonmembers to \$100/page for nonmembers. Mostafa Elshahed made a motion to create an ad hoc committee to discuss the increase of per page charges; David Bass and Avishek Mitra seconded.
 - b. Collegiate Academy - Jerry Bowen. 77 presentations, with 15 faculty presentations, 17 graduate student presentations, and 45 undergraduate presentations.
 - c. JOAS - David Bass.

- 2022 AAAS scheduled for Philadelphia, Feb 16-21. All in attendance must be fully vaccinated, unvaccinated attendance via Zoom.
- d. Section Reports
 - A. Biological Sciences - Nothing to report
 - B. Geology - Nothing to report
 - C. Physical Sciences - Nothing to report
 - D. Social Sciences - 4 presentations with 1 talk and 3 posters
 - E. Science Communication and Education - Nothing to report
 - F. Geography - Nothing to report
 - G. Applied Biology and Conservation -
 - H. Microbiology -
 - I. Engineering Sciences - Nothing to report
 - J. Biochemistry and Biophysics - Nothing to report
 - K. Microscopy - Nothing to report
 - L. Computer Science and Statistics - Nothing to report
 - M. Environmental Sciences - Nothing to report
 - N. Biomedical Sciences - Nothing to report
 - e. Other reports, business, or discussion - Microscopy
9. Old Business
 - a. Audit Committee Financial Review - Adam Ryburn; renewal to pass motion to form an Audit Committee consisting of Karen Williams, Jerry Bowen, Ben Tayo, and Rachel Jones.
 10. New Business
 - a. Elect new section chairs and vice-chairs. Names and contact information to Adam Ryburn
 - b. Responsibilities of chair and vice-chair
 - c. Announcements
 - Jerry Bowen has 2 full-time positions available at Rogers State University (1 at Claremore and 1 at Bartlesville), and a temporary position at Bartlesville for 1 semester.
 - Adam Ryburn suggested adding an OAS position posting to the OAS page. The decision to add a Position Posting page was unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.