

Oklahoma Academy of Science
Executive Council Meeting Minutes
UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA
7 NOVEMBER 2019

1. Call to Order 7 pm: President Adam Ryburn
2. In attendance: Ryburn, David Bass, Mike Dunn, Bill Luttrell, Jaclyn Maass, Robert Mather, Ellie Nguyen, Nesreen Alsbou, Gang Xu, Alisha Howard, Charles Biles, Erika Lutter, Julia Reid, Jerry Bowen, Richard Butler, Mostafa Elshaed, Karen Williams (Recording Secretary).
3. Introductions
4. Special thanks to:
Dr. David Bass and Dr. Chad King, Host Coordinators
Dr. Patti Neuhold-Ravikumar, President of the University of Central Oklahoma
University of Central Oklahoma & City of Edmond
Thanks to David. Rush to handle 97 posters – where to put them.
Thanks to Donna Bass planning this dinner/meeting.
5. Meeting updates/announcements from host coordinator (Bass)
80 something papers oral, 97 poster spots, maybe can take 3 more. This is largest meeting of academy on record. Make sure you park in visitors lot. UCO people park in designated spots. Meet 3rd floor – up the middle stairs in Nigh UC. Check in. Most sections papers are in NUC. Lunch is across from check in 3rd floor. Poster 1:30-3 pm on 1st and 2nd floor of new bldg.. Must check in to get items to put up poster according to instructions. Chad King in charge of poster session. Judging done then. After 3 pm things end. Micro will have oral papers during poster session. 23 talks and 7 posters of faculty/postdocs. Bass has section chair forms to hand out.
6. Resolution to thank the host institution
Ron Tryl/David Bass wrote the resolution. Vote to approve resolution.
7. Minutes of the November 1, 2018 Executive Council meeting (Williams)
Motion to accept min- vote passes.
8. Financial Report (Bass)
Passed out Summary and Detailed status.
Prof. services high due to gov't shutdown. Woody Plants (Paul Buck gave book to make \$ for endowment. Book identification of plants in winter).
OJAS account is dying, \$ for OJAS spent for student awards obligated to give to OSSEF winners. Bulk of \$ goes to sending OJAS director and 2 winning students (one physical one biological) to AAAS (Feb) mtg. and AJAS (American Junior Academy of Sciences). They are made fellows of AJAS. Transferred OJAS savings to checking.
This big meeting will make OAS money and he still has some bills to pay.
CD's are endowments – we can't touch principal (OJAS and Pigg).
20 years ago Exec Director wasn't paid, but now no debt to be able pay next Exec. Dir.
Motion Bowen to accept with 2016 to 18 corrections. (Mathers)

9. Future Meetings of the OAS
 - a. 2020 Spring event suggestions
No spring field meeting, talked about a spring event to keep OAS interest. In Feb. before spring break. Team up with OK Research Day? Night at the Museum. Zoo has a program at night. Both of these have a lot of outreach. Science Museum.
 - b. 2020 Fall Field Meeting suggestions
Group campsite with cafeteria and cabins. Not host spring meeting as attendance was so bad. Too many events in spring. OK Native Plant Society hosting meeting at Robbers Cave and reserved rooms in the lodge. Adam asked about joint meeting. Robbers Cave gives preference to those who reserved it last year. So difficult to schedule. 3-4 week in Sept. Want to know if Roman Nose or some alternative plan worked out by subcommittee (5 people w/ most active meeting) is ok?
 - c. 2020 Technical Meeting, November 6, 2020 at ECU.
Set in stone? ECU will try ensure it is.
 - d. 2021 host suggestions
NE/Broken Arrow, TCCC. OSU Stillwater!!!
Asked Mostafa to look into possibility of Stillwater.
Host: Dinner pm before, snacks, facilities.

10. Academy Reports, Proposals, Questions, and Discussion
 - a. Proceedings of the Oklahoma Academy of Science (Elshahed)
Seeing more variety of subjects, chemistry, microbiology.
Printed 1st week Jan and done by late Jan and sent out.
No changes, would like to see more subjects and papers.
If interested in being reviewer let Mostafa know.
Tomorrow in poster session, encourage folks to submit.
13 paid for abstracts in POAS. We can still add abstracts until end Nov.

 - b. OAS Collegiate Academy Director (Bowen)
Jerry Bowen a lot of presentations. Need 2-3 judges each section.

 - c. OJAS (Bass)
Seattle in Feb. taking 1 student. Normally select top 2 and alt.
One of top 2 backed out and alt unable to attend.
Hope to continue to work with OJAS. Judge at OSU.

 - d. Section Reports (Chair or Vice-Chair): any activity, # of posters. Passed out section chair forms.

11. Old Business

- a. Membership/registration fee changes- put on next year's agenda.
- b. Put Sectional chair and vice-chair duties on website
- c. Suggestions for more involvement across the State – not every chair has same obligation. Order presentations, what else does chair do. Everyone in council be member of academy.

12. New Business

- a. Executive Director transition
Dr. David Bass step down with intention that Adam steps in Jan 1. Bylaws say exec. Council approves that process. Adam section chair, president-elect, president, field meetings. He has seen all aspects of the academy. Bass said Adam is the right man for this job. Bowen will make the motion to approve and Bill Luttrell second. All voted in favor 15 for – 0 against.
- b. Elect new sectional vice-chairs and report their names and contact information to David Bass
- c. Section chair and vice-chair responsibilities – involvement across state. Some institutions not participating, replaced active members. Reach out to these that don't come.
- d. Suggestions for more involvement across the state – get list of active science people in the state. Reach out to sociology people at your school. General science associations declining due to specializations. Have your students come to the OAS meeting.
- e. Discussion of abstracts
Perhaps send mentor copy of abstract. Also maybe limit # of posters. Posters have an earlier deadline than talks to limit # of talks. Group registration and group talk confusion online- look into that. Include lunch in fee so more can attend if can get reimbursed? Voted to re-examine this.
- f. Elections: Karen Williams -Pres. Elect and Richard Butler secretary.
- g. Lunch/registration question- put all into one?
- h. Announcements: Pick up judging forms.

13. Adjournment at 9:06