



NMAS Board Meeting Minutes

January 22,2022 10:00 am

Physical Meeting Location: None

Virtual Meeting Location: Zoom

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Meeting ID: 356 095 6121

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Agenda Items

1. Call to order

2. Roll call

Guests & Members P= Present A = Absent

Sumali, Anton P	Knoll, Malva P	Showalter, Margaret P	Aubele, Jayne A	Christy Krenek A
Chalamala, Babu P	Thrall, Deb A	Vladislav Sevostianov A	Rock, Rod A	Cecelia Hernandez P
Diane Peebles A	Liu, Zhiming P	Brandvold, Lynn P	Ellen Loehman P	

3. Proof of quorum (%50 required)

4. Approval of the agenda (Malva,)

The board approved the agenda by consensus. It moved the Website report to the top of the list.

5. Secretary's Report (Malva Knoll)

The board approved the minutes (Malva, Lynn) of the September 29, 2021 meeting as written. Malva reported these results of the election, and moved for acceptance by the board (Malva, Babu)

Candidate – Position	Yes Votes	No Votes
Diane Peebles Vice President	17	0
Deb Thrall Treasurer	17	0
Margaret Showalter Director at Large	17	0
Zhiming Liu director at Large	17	0

6. Approval of Board of Director Appointees for 2022 (Anton)

The board approved a motion(Malva, Babu) to accept the appointed directors for the NMAS board as requested by Anton.

- NM Junior Academy of Science -Lynn Brandvold
- National Youth Science Camp - Margaret Showalter
- Teacher Awards Program / Museum Liaison / Lecture Series - Jayne Aubele

- d. Editor(s) NM Journal of Science - Vladislav Sevostianov
 - e. Liaison, NM Highlands University – Rod Rock
 - f. Liaison Eastern NM University - Zhiming Liu
 - g. Liaison NM Public Education Department Christy Krenek
 - h. Liaison NMSU Dr. Cecilia Hernandez
- The current officers serving terms are: Anton Sumali-President Babu Chalamala-President Elect
Secretary – Malva Knoll

7. Treasurer's Report (Deb Thrall)

Malva provided the proposed 2022 budget for viewing during the Zoom meeting. This budget was prepared by Anton, Babu, and Deb prior to the meeting. There was discussion concerning the amount of money at the ABQ Community Foundation made available at 4% of annual distribution . NMAS has not spent any of the principal and only a small portion of the gains for the past several years. This discussion resulted in increases in Jr. Academy spending and the proposal of a new program to fund college students with a scholarship. The board approved the revised budget provided in Excel. (Malva, Lynn)

Standing Committee Reports

8. Newsletter / Website (Ellen Loehman)

- a. Question of going active on Southwest Cyberport immediately at a cost of \$10/month. The Weebly site is active until 9/22/2022 Ellen has authority to move the site as needed because of previous approval by the board to move the website from Weebly to SWCP.
- b. What resources do you want included? Include the resources which are currently listed on the new site. Include Covid Resources as updated for national and state entities. Malva will update Zhiming Liu will draft a resolution for future consideration.
- c. Board Documents section should include the minutes of a minimum of 2 years. The minutes should be included in public documents. Some treasurer's documents should be included in a protected section after consultation with current treasurer, Deb Thrall.
- d. New Features on the website to be included : news posts which can be put in the blog site. a calendar was included as a chart of months with public events. Ellen will set domain name aliases for the officers and appointed members of the board.
- e. Who would volunteer to learn about editorial privileges on the NMAS website? Lynn, Margaret , Malva and Anton volunteered. Ellen will send a doodle poll to establish the date and time.
- f. Ellen's written report included information about availability of forms and surveys.
- g. The historical presentation of NMAS involvement in State Science Education Standards will be kept on the new site. Additional events can be recorded as a matter of historical record.

9. National Youth Science Camp (Margaret Showalter)

Margaret requested help with word-of-mouth advertising for the 2022 candidates. She provided a flyer with information about the camp to all board members at the conclusion of the meeting. She will provide information for the January newsletter.

10. NM Junior Academy of Science (Lynn Brandvold)

Lynn participated in making changes to the proposed 2022 budget. These changes were discussed and approved in the general vote on the budget. The awards have been set at this time to expend the large majority of the Sandia National Laboratory Grant.

Consensus was to provide 3 prizes at each regional and state competition, and increase the number of prizes to use nearly all of SNL grant money. NMAS added money to the JAS budget in the annual 2022 proposed budget to help defray costs.

Lynn has ability to change award amounts or number of awards in each region depending on participation. Covid restrictions severely limited participation last year. Junior Academy of Science will have awards in 2022 as posted on the website to first (\$250), second(\$150) , and third place(\$100) for winners at each of the six regional competitions. Prizes are as follows at the state competition: first (\$400), second (\$300), third(\$200).

11. New Business

a. Anton will submit a proposal for a scholarship to honor Prof.Igor Sevostianov. He died last year. The board discussed options and consensus was to set criteria for a college /graduate student who is a participant and winner at the EPSCoR competition held in conjunction with NMA. The award will not exceed \$1000.

b. Malva suggested the need to solicit a media person for the board.

c. Anton will prepare a letter for the January newsletter. Malva will include biographies of the newest board members for the newsletter.

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13. Review of action items (See highlights in draft of minutes)

14. Adjourn