

HaSTA Meeting Minutes July 27, 2013

In attendance: Jenny Kuwahara, Lauren Kaupp, Franklin Allaire, Andy Barnes, Ethan Allen, Liz King

Wild Apricot – Jenny gave us a walkthrough. Discussion notes: **we need to have wi-fi at registration table** in order to facilitate people who want to pay via the Website at the conference and to answer member questions about their membership status, **we need to arrange laptops (3-5) at the registration table**, we agreed to offer a pre-paid bento lunch option, we decided to keep membership at \$20 and we will charge a \$1.00 fee to those who choose to pay their membership via the Website in order to cover credit card/Paypal service fees. We needed a physical non-PO Box address for the Paypal account, so Jenny gave Punahou as the address for lack of any

Motion: to change membership from October-October to a rolling membership that expires one year from date of dues payment. Motion passes. **NOTE: will need to change the constitution accordingly.**

Our Keynote speaker will not be able to talk about NOAA due to furlough policies.

We will have a hard-copy ballot available at the conference, as there's nobody to put on the Website as of now. Lauren is nominated to be President Elect. A call for nominees will go out in the Catalyst and also went out via Wild Apricot email at the meeting. Y'all should have received this email by the time you read this.

A BUNCH of people applied for the Chevron grant this year, due to the big \$\$ being offered. Jim and Gail were able to do it on their own this year but will need help next year if the trend continues. \$41,000 was requested and \$21,000 was awarded.

Catalyst – Andy submitted an article about the Science Olympiad summer institute, Franklin submitted Science Olympiad dates, Lauren a report on the Science Fair awards. Lauren notes that important changes to the Constitution should go in, as well. Jenny sent an update about the Wild Apricot site and encouraged people to nominate officers. Teacher awards – Marybeth is again looking for books to give as teacher awards, but no word on tote bags. **Include a call for swap meet items!!** Now that we have Wild Apricot, we can offer Catalyst electronically. Motion to offer a digital-only Catalyst option. Motion passes. Need to include this option in the WA Website membership sign-up. We'll still make some paper copies for sponsors and for those who want to keep their paper copies coming. **We need to figure out a way to let people opt-out of the paper copies.**

Conference: There's no theme this year. Lauren requested tote bags items from CRDG, and they'll give us something. The College of Ed dean was not quite as willing, will probably give glossy plastic bags and pens. HaSTA Logo pencils will go into the bags. **Bag-stuffing party at Punahou on Sept 13, 4:00 – 6:00, then take speaker out to dinner.** Andy will be speaking about her HaSTA Ambassador trip to the San Antonio NSTA Conference. HECO hasn't indicated that they are willing to continue that

sponsorship this year, but we should continue to pursue this and give them evidence of the worth of their sponsorship. Eco Solar and Monsanto gave us money last year, we need to bark up other trees. Such as Vernier – maybe Jim can give them a call. Lauren proposes that we (HaSTA) can partially sponsor the Ambassador prize, and the idea of getting a cohort of sponsors together so that we can offer this prize again. Motion to have HaSTA cover the balance of the Ambassador prize that is not funded by sponsors this year; motion passes. What to put in the Presenter Bags: bento, bottle of water, small gift cards if we can get some, CTAR/C-MORE/SOEST logo items if we can get them.

Next Meeting: Friday Aug 16 4:00, Punahou, to discuss Fall Conference final details.