

Oct 5, 2012

Teleconference

- I. A. Called to order 12:03 ET
- B. Present: Nils Rauhut, Emily Esch, Tziporah Kasachkoff, Rory Kraft, Bill Anelli, Kevin Hermberg, Betsy Decyk, Andrew Mills. Dave Concepcion arrived late.
- C. July 25: Dave's name misspelled. Approved as corrected.
July 27: Approved
- D. Approved by Acclimation.
- II. A. Nominations: Emily filling in for Rob Loftis. Elections have begun. Transition to e-voting has been going smoothly. No complaints heard so far. Twelve people running for five at large position; two for VP slot. One minor hiccup this morning. One of the at-large candidates was not an active member; procedure corrected to make sure in future that check is done. The candidate has paid to become current. Deadline for voting is Oct 20. Discussion of sending reminder to vote. Consensus is that it is a good idea to do so. Will recommend to committee to do so. Rob's work on setting up on SurveyMonkey was lauded. Nils to send email from the board formally thanking. Some questions about how to ensure that multiple people have access to the records. While the lack of multiple-person-access was also the case with paper ballots, the concern was to ensure that the ballots are tabulated well. A report to the board of the process and how the transition worked will be coming after the election. The e-records will be forwarded to Emily following the election.

Dave joined the call.

B. Report attached. Questions about "Outside Contract services" (PDC membership), what eventbrite fees were (\$2177.33).

III. Unfinished business

- A. Conference sites: Can we pick the next two sites? Question of the costs of the mid-day break at Ft. Lewis. Is St. Johns cheaper? They claim so, but looks like it is about the same. Can we eliminate the computer lab at St. Johns? Perhaps that could be cut down or eliminated? Costs for wine and cheese too high? Perhaps the "nickel and dime" issues can be delayed until a specific contract. Issue is that Ft Lewis is only for 2014; 2016 is already booked. Ft. Lewis can do first week in August 2014. Transportation is an issue for all three proposals. McDaniel has worked it out more than some of the rest. Is the relative isolation of St. John's a benefit or a drawback? Altitude sickness an issue for Ft. Lewis? Drivable for folks who live nearby (how many locals would attend that might not otherwise)? Are we still uncomfortable with Ft Lewis because of how they initially came to us? If we have support locally for Ft Lewis would we choose them for 2014? Voted to going with McDaniel for 2014, tentatively St Benedict/St John for 2016 contingent upon site visit from non-Emily person.

- B. Standing Rules: Question about what it meant to consider something a “topic”. Question about voting only having yes or no. Time running out. Shelved for discussion of the abstention concerns. We will schedule a conf call for November to discuss this issue more fully as well as transition of board.

Adjourned 12:58

These minutes approved by the Board November 16, 2012