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BOD Meeting Minutes January 3, 2024 Woodard & Curran, Middletown 4:30-6:00 pm Refreshments [NH]

Attendance: NH, CG, MM, JC, JS, RL, CI; PD via Teams Absent: SP, PR, MS

Start: 16:45 [NH]

Welcome new Director, Carol Ivers! [all] - Needs access to Google Drive (PR will be able to coordinate access)

Minutes [MM]

9/6/2023 Board Meeting

• CG to provide notes

11/3/2023 Annual Meeting

 MM requested confirmation of attendance and additional revisions. Confirmed that there were approximately 60 members in attendance and that JS needs to be added to attendees. Unanimously approved with edits [RL, JC]

Treasury Report [SP] - Not present. Will request distribution of report

Correspondence [RL]

- There were emails from individuals who claimed they found meteorites. RL referred them to local mineral clubs and the Peabody Museum
- Charles Dimmick paid \$20 of dues in the form of a check. RL to email SP to ask about how to transfer \$ to the correct account

Website/Google Drive/Google Workspace update [PR] Google for Nonprofits setup - Not present

Standing Committee Reports

Program Committee [RL, JS, CG, NH]

November 3rd Annual Meeting debrief

- Overall good feedback and there was more student participation this year. CCSU had been promoting attendance to GSC events
 - For future events, cost efficient incentives should be considered
- We need to confirm who paid for the catering. CG/SP will coordinate

EPOC Field Trip planning

- Per meeting with EPOC
 - Organization offered to pay RL/JS a specified amount (\$2,000 x 2 courses?) to lead a trip related to meltwater deposits
 - Potential locations are in the area between DEEP Marine HQ and up to Portland/Cobalt. There is a potential location across Axel Rod Tire with a sand/gravel exposure and an outcrop
 - Good avenue for revenue and additional membership
 - EPOC requests additional information such as summary, logistics of trip, and biographies. RL/JS to coordinate

Plan for 2024

- Paul Olsen said he was still interested in leading a field trip. JS will contact Paul, and the committee will meet to figure out logistics
- CCSU might be a potential resource for printing. CI to inquire

Membership [PR, MS] – Not present Wild Apricot update

Membership levels and renewal cycle

- o There was discussion to clarify renewal cycle
- RL indicated that two emails had gone out to remind members to renew memberships
- Post meeting NH followed up with PR and PR confirmed that Membership is now 12 months, and that he manually adjusted new members from last year to expire 12 months from when they joined. Remaining members are still on the January renewal cycle

Communication & Education [JC, PD, MM]

News Blasts

- Requested that field trip date and topic are confirmed so that information can be relayed for 2/1 News Blast
- JC will continue with regular schedule for distribution

 Suggested that academic advisors and professors are reached out to as an additional reminder of the Student Research Grant

Nomination Committee [PR] – Not present 2023 Debrief?

Other Business and Ideas for 2024 not otherwise discussed in Committee Reports? Dinosaur State Park updates [MM]:

Store collaboration

- NH DSP distributed correspondence from Friends of DSP. Per correspondence, more copies of field guide have been requested, and DSP has \$ to give GSC from the sales. MM will reach out to PR to obtain more guidebooks to resupply DSP
- MM Spoke with store manager and received positive feedback on sales and that the guidebooks have been well-received

Thank-you gifts for departing BoD members (for last 2 years?)

 We still want to give mini Joe Web Peoples award obelisk, but Matte was the one with logistical information to do so. MM to ask Matte about the vendor and then send information to RL

Friends of Dr. Patrick Getty Memorial Scholarship idea from DV

- Unsure where we are going to find additional resources. Our focus will continue to be on our scholarships for students focused on CT.
- Suggested that DV inquire with other potential organizations to see if a fund has been established (i.e, Texas institution that he worked for or UConn). If so, mention that GSC could donate an amount to support the fund

Next BoD meeting = March (Doodle Poll to be sent out by NH)

Need to consider that NE GSA is mid-March

Adjourn: 17:42 [CG, RL]