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BOD Meeting

September 11, 2018

Wesleyan University, Exley Science Center

4:30-6:00pm

Order of Business

- Present: PR, DV, MT, RL, NH, DH, FM, CG, SP via skype
- Meeting called to order, 4:35 pm

1. Minutes July 24, 2018 Meeting [DH]

Minutes approved as amended.

2. Treasury Report [FM – Treasury report appended as attachment 1]

- Summarized by FM. Report appended.
- Previous treasured report, approved as amended

3. Correspondence [RL]

- RL summarized, noting that a thank you letter had been received for a donation from the GSC in support of the parks program. That letter is appended to these minutes as attachment 2.
- RL indicated numerous emails were received from AGI. The board recommended that RL evaluate and use discretion on forwarding emails he considers useful to the society.
- MT alerted the board to an offering of CT academy of science and engineering. This relates to an opening for a science policy fellow to work with DEEP and the State on emerging contaminant issues. Focus on science policy advisory for the legislature (PFAS). This effort seeks a Ph.D. or sabbatical position with relevant expertise. Please alert Mt of possible candidates that you are aware of.
- It was suggested that this could be posted as a link on the GSC website and shared with the academic advisory board.

4. Committee Reports

Membership [JS]

- Membership management and event registration software? So that people could verify their status
 - No new development at present. CG suggested a separate meeting to discuss the cost/benefits of this effort. As such, CG will set up a meeting with JS, CG, and Lindsey to make recommendations.
 - Testing will be needed if registration is modified. It is helpful for board members to test all links and report any issues to CG.
 - It was suggested that a membership look up button would be very helpful.
- JS reported updated the simple membership form (as on the website).
- An updated brochure file as well as posters will be available to distribute at the academic advisory committee.

Communication and Education

Website updates (FM;CG)

- Updates and changes were discussed along the lines summarized under membership.
- RL sent biographies for recipients for the Joe Web Peoples Award.

Academic Advisory committee [PR]

- PR described the upcoming Academic Advisory Committee meeting scheduled at Wesleyan for Tuesday Sep. 25th 6:00 pm.
- Agenda will include a summary of GSC activities, requesting brief summaries from departments as to their activities, discussing the GSC can help departments and suggested short summaries of departments and current research be posted on Geoconnections.
- These interactions could help the GSC recruit student members, share our brochure, and alert departments to our AGI affiliation, student scholarships, meetings and field trips.

GSC Distinguished Lecturer [PR]

- PR sent out solicitation for nominations. He will post the final language of the position to the society google drive.
- JS indicated that Robert Winch would be a very good person for the designation, although he may still be very busy with his move back to Connecticut.
- Discussion followed on the nature of the position and the types of presentations the person would likely provide.
- RL was also raised as a strong candidate for the position, as someone who was willing to serve in the current year.
- This was well received, and there was general agreement that RL would be an excellent Distinguished Lecturer. He seemed willing to take this on.

Program Committee [NT/MT]

Field Trip [FM]: town meeting & alternate date [Fall/Spring]

- The field trip will be proposed for early April, a time when vegetation growth will minimally obscure outcrop.

- This will also provide time to discuss the trip with relevant town officials and share with them the benefits of such a field trip.
- Local approval is needed, communicating with the town in December. The board would like to have some of the new information to show the town when asking for approval.

10th Annual Meeting [Nov.9th] [CG]

- Have a board meeting in October on the annual meeting. MT will send a doodle poll for a meeting solely on the annual meeting.
- Paul Olsen is the speaker. Dean of faculty will bring welcome from Trinity. Key note lined up. Three titles were proposed. The board choose:
 - Arctic Ice and Ecological rise of dinosaurs
- Food coordination with catering need to be finalized, along with arranging a menu, bartender, and other items related to the event. The main dining room for dinner for socializing. NH will coordinate with MT and JS.
- DH will email a save the date email, once website is ready to receive registrants. He will need to be notified when it is appropriate to email the membership.

GSC/EPOC Fieldtrip? [CG]

- A Coastal field trip may be given for the GSC/EPOC trip, but with fewer stops.
- NH will communicate with EPOC to determine their desired time for presenting.
- It would be worthwhile to offer this field trip to GSC members as well.
- MT would like to announce this trip at the annual GSC meeting at Trinity.
- NH will determine date of the joint field trip (Nov. vs. spring)

ELECTIONS [RL]

- 5 people have agreed to run for another term, DH, JS, PR, RL, FM
- DH will email the membership with our nomination slate and invite additional nominations.

5. OLD Business

Student Research Fund Application Scoring Criteria [RL]

- Scoring criteria was circulated (max of 18) with point values.
- This system was moved, seconded, and approved

Dinosaur State Park [MT]

- MT indicated that she has communicated with the director of State Parks summarizing the history, significance, and capabilities needed by the park manager. She also emphasized the importance of maintaining access to the trackway for research.

AGI Affiliation Proposal [MT]

- MT has received a letter indicating we are an official regional affiliate.
- We can reexamine this initiative next year. Dues at present \$100, goes up to \$250 next year

6. New Business

Meeting Adjourned:

- 6:30 pm

Attachments

1. Treasurer's Report

GSC TREASURER'S REPORT 7/20/2018 through 9/11/2018

CASH FLOW - ALL ACCOUNTS

SUMMARIES

INCOME

STUDENT GRANT FUND

TOTAL INCOME 0.00

Starting 07/20/2018 -627.67

Ending 09/11/2018 -627.67

EXPENSES

Friends of DSPA 100.00 Donation for DSP days

American Geoscience Institute 100.00 2019 dues

TOTAL EXPENSES 200.00

NET CHANGE -200.00

ACCOUNT BALANCES

7/19/2018 9/11/2018

Net

Paypal 3795.45 3795.45 0.00

Checking¹ 2108.15 1908.15 -200.00

Cash -9.00 -9.00 0.00

TOTAL 5,894.60 5,694.60 -200.00

1 Bob Bakker has cashed his check!!!

2. Letter of Appreciation from Friends of Dinosaur State Park



FRIENDS OF DINOSAUR PARK AND ARBORETUM, INC.
DINOSAUR STATE PARK
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August 20, 2018

CT Geological Society
PO Box 94
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Dear Valued Supporter,

On behalf of the Friends of Dinosaur Park and Arboretum, we would like to thank you for your recent donation of a check to this year's Dinosaur State Park Day, held on August 18th, 2018. Our family oriented activities continued to be free of charge due to the dedication of the FDPA, volunteers, vendors, and our local businesses.

Every donation is important to us and greatly appreciated. This day would not have been possible without your generosity. The Friends of Dinosaur Park and Arboretum, Inc. is a section 501 (c)(3) organization and all donations are tax deductible. We are able to provide an acknowledgement for IRS purposes at your request. For any further questions, please contact Carla Roggi, bookshop manager, at (860) 257-7601 and she will be able to assist you. Thank you for your continued support of the park.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stephanie Felton".

Stephanie Felton
Special Event Coordinator Intern
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3. Student research grant evaluation summary

STUDENT RESEARCH GRANT APPLICATION REVIEW GUIDELINES

(DRAFT For Comment)

Proposed Ranking Criteria (18 points possible):

- Did they follow the guidelines for applying (1-3 points)

New Additions-

Undergraduate or Graduate Student status indicated on application? (5 point preference for undergrads?)

Is there a commitment to GSC acknowledgement (Logo will be supplied to them)

- Significance of Project to CT (1-5 points)
- Quality of Proposal (1-5 points)
e.g. Clearly Stated, Budget Realistic, etc.
- Level of Support/Student Capability (1-5 points)
New Addition-
Is the student capable of following through?

* Should successful applicants get a free ticket to the annual dinner?