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BOD Meeting

May 8, 2018

Wesleyan University, Exley Science Center

4:30-6:00pm

Approved Minutes

Order of Business

- Present: FM, PR, DV, JS, MT, RL, NH, DH, MW, CG, SP
- Meeting called to order, 4:36 p.m.

1. Minutes March Meeting [DH]

- Minutes from the March 27 BOD meeting. No further revisions requested. Approval of the minutes was moved, seconded, and approved as presented.
- A correction to new membership category pricing on previous January BOD meeting minutes. Those minutes will be modified to indicate a corporate rate of \$100 (see details in the membership report below).

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

- FM indicated limited activity since our last meeting
- Efforts to pay Bob Bakker continue, following difficulty in getting responses from him and 2 returned checks.
- 4 student scholarships were recently approved via email (\$500 ea.), noted here to have a record of this approval in the minutes.
- Treasurer's report – moved, seconded and approved.

3. Correspondence [RL]

- No significant new correspondence to report.

4. Committee Reports

Membership [JS/MT]

Communication and Education

- MT reported on email discussion by the committee pertaining to the student scholarship, soliciting input on ideas from BOD members on how

best to weigh/compare applications from undergraduate and graduate applications if there were more applicants than scholarships awarded.

- A second meeting was planned following the BOD meeting at which members evaluating proposals would consider this further. Others were welcome to provide input at that time.

Membership [JS/MT]

- JS updated the BOD on revised membership brochures, circulating two versions for feedback.
- Membership categories and associated costs are correctly recorded on the draft brochures.
- JS indicated she would communicate with CG to provide revisions for the website so that category pricing is consistent with the Brochure. Similarly, DH will revise some previously approved minutes, which needed correction (as noted under minutes above).
- The correct categories and pricing is as follows:
 - Regular member: \$20
 - Student member: \$10
 - Family Membership: \$40, up to 2 adults and all children under 18
 - Lifetime membership: \$500 (one-time)
 - Corporate Membership: \$100, includes 6 memberships

Website Updates- [FM;CG]

- CG discussed several changes and updates on the website (following a report circulated via email prior to the BOD meeting)
- CG noted that archival content on the 2016 field trip and 2017 annual meeting are needed. Similarly, further revision to the membership page is needed, more content on places to visit in CT would be helpful, and details on the upcoming field trip are needed. CG will communicate with Lindsey on further revisions.
- JS will send a short summary and photos on the 2016 field trip to CG.
- NH will prepare a summary of the 2017 annual meeting
- DH will revise prior minutes to show correct membership categories/costs and send to CG
- DH will send new links for images from prior GSC events (which have changed locations)
- CG updated the board on discussion about changing registration so as to use a membership management resource like apricot. The number of GSC members exceeded the number that could be hosted without charge. As such, the costs to migrate to this new approach seemed to be too excessive to consider further at this time.
- Once membership changes are on the website, an all-member email should be sent out. CG and DH will communicate on this as needed.

Academic Advisory Committee- Mission & Guidelines [PR]

- PR summarized the AAC document that was circulated prior to the meeting, requesting approval to send to academics.
- Several minor suggestions were made.
- Pending minor revisions the document was moved, seconded and approved.
- PR agreed to be the liaison person between the AAC and the BOD.
- PR and DV will contact the group later in the summer to arrange a September meeting.

GSC Distinguished Lecturer (DL) Proposal (PR and DV)

- Selection of speaker(s) during the first year will be made in a simple and efficient manner by the committee. This will facilitate integrating speaker presentations within academic programs in the 2018-19 academic year.
- Information on selected speaker(s) will be sent to academic departments.
- Future efforts on the DL will benefit from stewardship by a dedicated subcommittee.
- Discussion centered on the need for guidelines, and consideration of associated costs. A better understanding will be developed through activities undertaken in the coming year.
- PR/DV will send an application to departments over the summer so that people can know about the opportunity before the start of fall semester.
- MT commented on the importance of keeping the focus of the DL on CT geology.

Fieldtrip [FM]

- FM summarized considerable progress on the Old Mine Park field trip:
 - New field mapping at the site is complete. Production of a map, for possible inclusion in the field guide, is ongoing.
 - A walk-through at the site is planned with final edits to the field guide to follow
 - The field guide is largely complete, with final changes anticipated by the end of the month.
 - An announcement to the membership should be possible soon.
- Attendance will be capped at 60 and the social event afterwards, to be held at a local brewery, will be capped at 50
- Registration details include:
 - Costs for the field trip/guidebook will be \$50 (members), \$75 (non-member), \$25 (students)
 - These costs should cover printing. Any excess will be a contribution to the scholarship fund.
 - NH described planning for the social event after the trip
 - The event will be BBQ/pizza at a nearby microbrewery (Veracious Brew)
 - A back room will be rented, they will supply a bar tender, we can bring in our own food (several vendors were discussed)
 - Likely cost: \$15, NH will investigate further.
 - The social event will likely run from 5-7 pm.
- DH mentioned he would be travelling with limited email access (to send out membership email) between May 15-20, and May 23-30.
- Efforts continue or final parts of trip.

Annual Meeting [Nov 16th?] [CG]

- No new developments. Trinity events scheduling personnel are aware of the date. CG will correspond with them further in the summer once the graduation/year-end crunch is finished.
- No issues are anticipated.

5. OLD Business

Scholarship Fund – [RL]

- RL indicated a meeting would follow the BOD gathering. He raised the question as to how best to weigh undergraduate and graduate applicants.
- Recommendations will come from the committee

BOD Calendar [MT]

- MT will circulate a doodle pool link to identify a July meeting date.
- Similarly, a doodle pool for the September BOD/AAC meeting will be circulated.
- Please respond to both promptly.

Dinosaur State Park Recommendations Meeting [MT]

- MT elaborated further on the value and political nature of the board providing advice on the future replacement of Meg Enkler who will retire in January 2019.
- MT had communicated with Meg Enkler who let her superiors know of GCS's interest in providing helpful recommendations.
- MT will email everyone to solicit feedback and further discuss and develop a consensus document on the importance of DSP to the state and its geologic significance.
- Academic departments could be a good voice of support. This could be a good item of discussion at the September AAC meeting.

7. NEW Business

AGI Affiliation Proposal [MT]

- MT has investigated what is involved to have the GSC be a regional associate member with AGI.
- This could expand recognition of the GSC, enhance benefit to students, and expand student outreach possibilities
- The GSC seems to meet the defining characteristics of an affiliate member, and there is no cost.
- It was moved, seconded and passed for MT to pursue GSC becoming a regional associate of AGI

Next Meeting

- MT will circulate a doodle pool to identify a meeting time. This will include choices for regular meeting times, but also a weekend social meeting time.

End of meeting (adjourned) 6:40 pm



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GSC TREASURER'S REPORT 3/28/2018 through 5/07/2018

CASH FLOW - ALL ACCOUNTS

INCOME

Membership (regular)	80.00
Membership (student)	20.00
TOTAL INCOME	100.00

EXPENSES

Refund	15.00
Fees & Charges (Paypal trans.)	4.26
TOTAL EXPENSES	19.26

NET CHANGE 80.74

ACCOUNT BALANCES	3/28/2018	5/7/2018	Net
Paypal	3879.81	3975.11	95.30
Checking*	3608.15	1608.15	-2,000.00
Cash	141.00	141.00	0.00
TOTAL	7,628.96	5,724.26	-1,904.70

SUMMARIES

STUDENT GRANT FUND

Starting	
03/28/2018	1,192.33
4x\$500 04/18/2018	-2,000.00
Ending 05/07/2018	-807.67

* Bob Bakker \$2000 check still not cashed, but checking account debited.

* Andrew Michel \$500 check still not cashed, but checking account debited.

Attachment 2: Documents on the AAC and Distinguished Speaker (to be added)



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Academic Advisory Committee (AAC) Mission and Guidelines

Purpose:

The Academic Advisory Committee (hereafter referred to as the "AAC") provides a link between the Geological Society of Connecticut (hereafter referred to as the "GSC") and the academic geoscience community within the State of Connecticut. The AAC will work to ensure that the GSC's programming is both current and relevant to faculty and students in the State's geoscience departments. Members of the AAC will act as liaisons between their respective academic departments and the GSC.

Organization:

The AAC shall be comprised of one faculty representative from each academic department from a two- or four-year institution of higher education within the State of Connecticut having a major course of study in the geological sciences or closely related discipline.

Prospective AAC members will be nominated by their home department, and accepted upon approval of the nomination by the Society's Board of Directors (hereafter referred to as the "BOD"). AAC members will serve two-year terms with the possibility of renewal based on interest, involvement, and the discretion of the BOD.

A directory of AAC members and their respective academic departments will be maintained by the GSC Secretary for communication between the BOD and AAC.

Expectations

Members of the AAC will be expected to

- Attend an annual joint meeting of the AAC and BOD, typically in September, where they will 1) Present a brief summary of their department's activities 2) Review the GSC's on-going programs.
- Be familiar with GSC programming and promote these activities within their departments.
- Report department news of interest to the GSC.

Members of the AAC are also encouraged to

- Participate in GSC programs including the Annual Meeting and Field Trip.
- Participate in education-related committees of the GSC including the Communication and Education Committee, the Student Research Grant Committee and the Distinguished Lecturer Committee.
- Nominate students and colleagues for GSC awards.

Benefits

Members of the AAC in good standing will receive complimentary membership in the organization and receive member rates for all meetings and event.

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