BOD Meeting Minutes
January 26, 2023
Wesleyan University, Exley Science Center Room 409
4:30-6:00 pm

In attendance: PR, JC, NH, MS, PD, MM, CG, RL, JS, SP (Zoom)

Meeting called to order at 4:36 (PR)

Introduction of members

Officer Elections
After some discussion the following officers were unanimously (re)elected:
NH – president
CG – vice president
MM – secretary
SP – treasurer

Minutes
10/17/2022 [CG]
unanimously approved
Annual Meeting
as CG was not present at ann. mtg. there are no minutes. JC will write summary of meeting in lieu of minutes and for website.

Treasury Report [SP]
current report still requires some updates, approval postponed to next meeting

Correspondence [RL]
RL received several e-mails, answered by RL, one concerned membership fees paid late in the year (e.g., after annual meeting as Christmas present); general consensus that these late memberships should carry over into following year.
Introduction to Calendar [PR]
PR introduced us to calendar which summarizes general deadlines for events etc., general discussion of individual events, deadlines

Standing Committee Descriptions and Reports
Event Committee
Annual meeting recap
meeting went well and considered success, talk interesting and very detailed, food, venue were excellent, donated wine, beer, mugs, minerals were great raffle prizes, probably too many prizes; few students
Survey (PR)
MM had proposed post-meeting survey, PR too busy to act on it. Will use next year.

Membership
how to verify student membership eligibility; PR proposed news flash to all members on record to determine truly active members and cull the database. This will help with Wild Apricot membership limitations.

Communication & Education
JC collects items for next news blast; general discussion of speaker series at various institutions; discussion of distinguished lecturer series, general consensus that speaker series will be on hiatus for now

Ideas for 2023
Events
Discussion of annual field trip and status of field trip guides.
Spring field trip proposed leaders: Bob Wintsch, Will Ouimet, Bill Burton, BB has right of first refusal
Discussion on recruitment of new members K-12 teachers, students, various fieldtrip ideas (coastal geology, limited-size Lyme area trip)

Membership
Discussion on how to recruit new members; K12 teachers, students etc.; suggestion to offer continuing education workshops for K12 teachers, possibly in collaboration with DSP, suggestion to invite Mike Ross to future mtg.

Communication & Education
JC requests images for geology quiz
**New Business**

Discussion of appreciation gifts for former Board Members, general agreement that they are a good idea. 
NH to send out Doodle poll for future board meetings. 
NH to send out Doodle Poll or other email blast to have folks select committee(s) - committees to meet before next meeting in March and report on who they selected as their chair and what their agenda/tasks are for the year.

Meeting adjourned at 6:07 PM (RL, NH)

Respectfully submitted,

Christoph Geiss