

TCS Board of Directors Meeting

December 11, 2016

Draft Minutes

Attending: President Matt Nixon, President-Elect Lewie Lawrence, Past-President Tom Bigford, Treasurer Mo Lynch; Directors Caitlyn McCrary, Steve MacLeod, and Tiffany Smythe; Executive Director Judy Tucker; Incoming President-Elect Megan Bailiff by phone. Guest: Meghan Rasmussen, Managing Editor, Taylor & Francis Group.

Not Attending: Secretary Jolvan Morris; Directors Paul Hindsley, Michelle Lennox

President's Report:

Voting quorum established. Nixon thanked the board for their work this year and for moving TCS forward during his personal leave periods.

Secretary's Report:

Motion (Lawrence), Second (Smythe): to approve the draft minutes of the 11/2/16 board meeting as written. MOTION APPROVED

Motion (Nixon), Second (Lynch): to accept the results of the 2016 election. MOTION APPROVED.

Motion (Bigford), Second (Lawrence): All funds raised in the 2016 Annual Giving Campaign will be distributed as travel scholarships for TCS Student and New Professional Members to attend coastal educational events, or to support special programs at TCS University or College Chapters.

Discussion: An application and award procedure will be assigned to Michelle Covi and Claire Enterline, co-chairs of the Career Development Committee, to develop. All funds must be distributed by 12/31/17. MOTION APPROVED.

Treasurer's Report:

TCS is in good shape with Total Assets of \$37,985. A projected \$29K balance on 12/31/16, plus the \$8,000 baseline agreement with RAE for partnering on the 2016 Summit, will result in a carry over of \$38K to begin 2017.

MOTION (Lawrence), Second (Bigford): to accept the Treasurer's Report as written. MOTION APPROVED.

A six-month contract with Tucker for Executive Services at a 10% increase in hourly rate was approved.

Summit Update:

Thomas E. Bigford and Sea Grant Awards for Best Student Poster and Best Student Presentation (1 of each per sponsor): 5-8 judges will judge 8 oral presentations and 27 posters. Judges will meet Wednesday morning to determine winner. Names of winners will be given to Tucker to print certificates and to Lynch to write \$200 checks.

TCS Exhibit Booth shifts: all board members to come by the TCS exhibit booth as often as their schedule permits. Drawing of business cards for the two books donated by Don Davis will be held Wednesday, 12/14/16 at 10:15 AM.

Annual Membership Meeting:

The Annual Membership Meeting will be held immediately after the TCS Board meeting. Agenda was reviewed. Over 100 people registered to attend. RAE Staff who are TCS Members will be recognized.

Special Issue of Coastal Management:

The special Issue of Coastal Management call for proposals was sent to TCS members and RAE registered participants with a deadline of January 2, 2017. Co-editors Tiffany Smythe and Erika Washburn were approved by the CMJ board. Submitters will be notified of acceptance in February.

New Officer and Director Transition:

All candidates have been contacted, and transitional planning of the Treasurer has begun.

Taylor and Francis Publishers Report:

A report from Meghan Rasmussen, Managing Editor, Taylor and Francis Group was given. After a brief history of Taylor and Francis and their relationship to TCS was given, an explanation of the metrics used to evaluate readers' topical interest was discussed. Some discussion was offered on the need to explore new approaches to encourage TCS members with applied coastal zone project success stories to submit articles without the need for a peer review process, as applied work isn't intended to be reviewed by a peer audience.

Strategic Plan Post Summit

President-Elect Lewie Lawrence discussed the status of the Strategic Plan review by the Board of Directors and comments prepared by the Board and various TCS Committee Chairs over the last few months. It was decided that given the potential shift in Federal priorities and new leadership within TCS that the incoming TCS Board should continue to discuss the Strategic Plan

Next Board Meeting

Tucker to create a Doodle poll for best dates in January, 2017.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:49 AM.