

AAPT Meeting of the Members

Atlanta, GA

Sunday, February 19, 2017

8:30 - 10:00 PM

Agenda (DRAFT)

- 1. Call to Order and Welcome (Bailey)**
- 2. Agenda (Bailey)**
- 3. Consent Agenda**
 - Approve 2016 Meeting of the Members Minutes**
- 4. Secretary Report (Christian)**
 - 2016 National Election Results
 - for Vice-President: Mel Sabella
 - for Secretary: Wolfgang Christian
 - for High School Member-at-Large: Daniel Crowe
 - Announcement of 2017 Nominating Committee
 - Kendra Sibbernsen (Chair)
 - Wendy Adams
 - Jennifer Blue
 - Tony Musumba Mwene
 - Sam Sampere
- 5. Section Reps Report (Gwinn)**
- 6. Treasurer Report (Turley)**
- 7. Meetings Committee Report (Adair)**
- 8. Executive Officer Report (Cunningham)**
- 9. President Report (Bailey)**
- 10. New Business (Bailey)**
- 11. Adjournment (Bailey)**

(Minutes DRAFT)

AAPT Meeting of Members

New Orleans, LA

Sunday, January 10, 2016

8:30 - 10:00 PM

Reports By: Mary Mogge, President; Wolfgang Christian, Secretary; Elaine Gwinn, Chair Section Representatives; R. Steven Turley, Treasurer; David Cook, Chair Meetings Committee; Beth Cunningham, Executive Officer

1. Call to Order and Welcome (Mogge)

Mogge called the meeting to order at 8:30 PM CDT.

2. Agenda (Mogge)

The agenda was approved unanimously by voice vote.

3. Consent Agenda (Mogge)

- **Approve 2015 Council Minutes**

The Consent Agenda approved unanimously by voice vote

4. Secretary Report (Christian)

Christian announced the results of the 2015 National Election.

- Vice-President: Gordon Ramsey
- Treasurer: Steve Turley
- Four Year College/University Member-at-Large: Karen Jo Matsler

Christian announced the membership of the 2016 Nominating Committee.

- Diane Riendeau (Chair)
- MacKenzie Stetzer
- Geraldine Cochran
- Greg Puskar
- David Sturm

5. Section Reps Report (Gwinn)

Gwinn announced Section Representative actions at WM16.

- Continuing
 - Chair of Sec. Reps.: Elaine Gwinn (Indiana)
 - Vice Chair of Sec. Reps.: Dyan Jones (W Pennsylvania)

- Elected
 - Secretary through WM17: David Sturm (New England)
 - National 2017 Nominating Committee: Sam Sampere (NY State)
 - National 2017 Nominating Committee: Tony Musumba (N Dakota)
 - Membership and Benefits through WM19: Spencer Buckner (Tennessee)
 - Membership and Benefits through WM19: Deona Wollard (Chesapeake)
- Section Reprehensive 2017 Nominating Committee
 - Todd Leif (Arkansas-Oklahoma)
 - Alexis Nduwimana (SACS)
 - Anne Cox (Florida)
 - Eldred “Jay” Bagley (SE Pennsylvania)

6. Treasurer Report (Turley)

Turley summarized the Association’s finances and stated that he expects a small 2015 fiscal year surplus. He thanked the Executive Office for its careful management of expenses.

Turley cautioned that we continue to face challenges including declining membership and a decrease in institutional (library) subscriptions. He urged members to invite their colleagues to join and to check if their libraries subscribe to our journals.

Turley reported that our endowment is growing due to a surplus from operations, a good return on investment, and donations but that there is some variation due to market fluctuations. Turley displayed graphs showing that our current long term reserves are close to \$4,500,000 and our current short term reserves are close to \$950,000.

7. Meetings Committee Report (Cook)

Cook described the work of the Meetings Committee and explained that the Committee works with the Director of Programs and Conferences to select and vet meeting locations. He then presented a list of already approved meeting locations for SM16 through SM18. (See the AAPT website for the future meetings list.)

Cook presented recommendations from the Meetings Committee that were approved by the Board of Directors. The first recommendation was that the country be divided into six regions and that, except when special opportunities occasionally arise, the meetings committee cycle through those regions when planning future meetings. Summer Meetings will rotate through the northern regions and Winter Meetings will rotate through the southern regions. The second recommendation was that the Meetings Committee invite Section Representatives, Section officers, and members to participate in the process of

identifying and evaluating potential meeting sites. Cook stated that the Meetings Committee encourages Section Representatives, Section officers, and Section members in each region to generate proposals for potential sites.

Cook stated that it is very hard to find locations with adequate meeting spaces and at reasonable (\$150--\$160) rates per room per night. He stated that some recent quotations have been over \$220 per room per night.

8. Executive Officer Report (Cunningham)

Cunningham announced new AAPT hires during 2015:

- Richard Ballentine, Administrative Assistant
- Ashanusni Lennox, Graphics Designer
- Rebecca Vieyra, K-12 Program Manager
- Stefanie Wills, Marketing Coordinator

and recent staff changes:

- David Wolfe, Director of Communications
- Marilyn Gardner, Director of Membership

Cunningham stated that the AAPT membership has continued its six-year decline but that the rate of decline has recently decreased. She present charts showing that the decline has been primarily in our HS membership while recent college and university membership has shown a slight increase. She stated that AAPT has started a “connections” initiative for members to recruit members.

Cunningham announced that AAPT received external funding for 4 new projects.

- NSF: Joint Task Force for Undergraduate Physics.
- NSF: Computational Physics Courses for Physics Majors.
- NSF ADVANCE: Mutual Mentoring Alliances to Combat Isolation in Physics (Women in Academia).
- 100Kin10 “Microchip”: Meeting of a group to advise on enhancing AAPT’s K-12 teacher professional development.

Other AAPT highlights include the approval new By-Laws that dissolved Council, established a Meeting of Members, modernized our governance, and brought us into compliance with NY State laws. Cunningham also announced the installation of new IT infrastructure.

Cunningham announced that the Laboratory Committee was the 2015 Area Committee of the Year.

Cunningham concluded her report by listing changes expected in 2016:

- continued work on the AAPT website and eCommerce interface,
- search for a new AJP Editor,
- work with the Committee in Diversity to increase membership,

- new Directions for K-12 professional development and PTRAs,
- start of Mutual Mentoring Alliances,
- Joint Task Force on Undergraduate Physics (JTFUP) report, and
- more opportunities for members to volunteer.

9. President Report(Mogge)

Mogge thanked the members for their help and support and stated that it was a privilege being AAPT President. The members warmly applauded her service.

10. Special Recognition (Mogge)

Mogge recognized the outgoing Directors and thanked them for their work.

- Steve Iona, Past President
- Aaron Titus, Member-at-Large (4-Year College)

The members warmly applauded their service.

11. Adjournment (Mogge)

Motion to adjourn passed unanimously at 9:15.

Respectfully submitted,
Wolfgang Christian, Secretary