I. Call to Order
   Motion to accept meeting agenda.
   Moved by: Anne Schoeffler
   Second by: Suzanne Cunningham
   Action: Passed unanimously

II. Roll Call

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III. Review/Approval of Minutes from June 11, 2023, meeting.
   Note: Thanks to Suzanne Cunningham for recording the minutes. Spelling edits made.
   Moved by: Motion to accept the minutes as amended by Mary Lou Lipscomb.
   Seconded by: Alison Seymour
   Action: Passed unanimously

IV. Old Business
   A. Budget for 2023-2024
      Motion to approve and adopt the proposed 2023-2024 budget with the stipulation that
      expenditures not specified will require an approval by the Board. Wild Apricot billing on
      October 1, 2023 will be $2,552.
      Discussion
      Lori Chen - Currently 303 members. Projection for income for membership is optimistic,
      which may be warranted due to increase in membership dues to $20.
      Wild Apricot is one of the largest expenses. It is possible to switch from Professional Account
      to Community Account in October and will save $1000 dollars. The only service difference is
      500 members would be maximum contacts. This would help bring expected expenses and
      income into alignment. Save 10% by paying annually.
      Other fees in budget are necessary for NMLSTA’s existence.
      $75 for Hurd Award is for the poster. Mary Lou Lipscomb donated the cost of the poster last
      year. Possibly offer the winner the poster. Kathy Brooks suggested that going forward to
      make poster as a traditional one that can be rolled up and mailed to the winner.
Classroom Teacher Awards amount accounts for 10 recipients/year.

Moved by: Motion to approve the 2023-2024 budget as written with the intention to revisit the budget in September when more information about Wild Apricot is available made by Anne Schoeffler
Seconded by: Dave Curry
Action: Passed unanimously

B. By-Laws Revision (Anne)
In good shape thus far except for two areas. Document in shared drive for all to see. Please look at the document to see proposed changes and rationales.
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Fo_2UDzHG-4MgqMpQLA0Hq6OXh3Ecfd4ztCiSWpbHQO/edit
Committee meets next week.
Section 5, H – Indemnification of Board Members, Exemplars will be forthcoming from NSTA, Topic needs to be covered at a future NMLSTA board meeting
https://www.thehortongroup.com/resources/nonprofit-board-of-directors-liabilities/#:~:text=Although%20the%20members%20of%20the,because%20of%20their%20business%20decisions
Elections Section – Topic needs to be covered at a future NMLSTA board meeting
Communications and Technology need to be separated
Action: Indemnification and Elections will be discussed at future board of directors meeting

C. Reaching out to state science teaching associations (Alison)
Drafted email to send to explain the rationale, purpose, and potential ideas for collaboration.
Positive feedback from board. In August, Alison will send personalized email to each state organization.
Lori Chen – Would like to make this a separate committee of which Alison Seymour will chair.
Action: New committee formed. Alison Seymour will chair.

V. Standing Committee Reports (alphabetical order)

AOA (Liz/Suzanne)
Suzanne Cunningham - National Congress on Science Education Meeting June 2023
(Document sent to Board members) Summary of conference below:

1. Communication – ESSENTIAL
   a. COG’s/Districts <> NSTA <> teachers <> Districts/COGs
   b. What is DEI AND we must be more inclusive in our definition (time for NMLSTA to engage in some manner?)

2. Interaction – (not just board members, reach out to members to take part)
   a. District quarterly meetings
   b. Invite COGs to take part, too.
c. Include educ industry/affiliates who’s offices in those districts?

d. An NMLSTA member, not necessarily a board member could do this.

3. Involvement - (best way for us to increase our membership)

a. At any NSTA conference NMLSTA gets opportunities to present a poster and hold Meet Me in the Middle/Meet N Greet

b. Such activities are imperative for us to maintain our membership

Liz Martinez - AoA met with NSTA for focus group meeting regarding issues, concerns, potential actions. Concerns raised – Changes to conferences and our events, especially MMITM, and the negative impacts the changes are having on NMLSTA ; Communication – Assist with promoting awareness, advertising,

Awards (Anne) – Nothing to share currently, August meeting will discuss

Conferences & Webinars (Mary Lou) –
Conferences – Mary Lou Lipscomb was to meet with Tricia Shelton in June, but did not happen. Not participating in Kansas City.
Webinars – Beginning to schedule
   October – Polar Educators International
   November – Atlantic Outreach Program (Lori Chen is arranging)
   December - Dave Curry Ice Core Science & the Search for Oldest Ice for Paleo Climate Science
   Kathy Brooks offered her Zoom account

Membership (Elizabeth)
Current membership 303 (16 renewal overdue, 8 lapsed, 5 new)

Middle Level Teaching (Liz/Kathy Brooks)
Report from NSTA Committee meeting with NMLSTA representatives, July 10. 2023
2/2024 – First digital journals will be out, Joint meeting with several NMLSTA board members attending for discussions Network for New Teachers, Mentoring/Providing Resources for New Teachers – Several ideas offered, Decided to survey for what new teachers need in regard to support, NSTA President, Julie Luft, very supportive
9/11/23 next meeting
Lori Chen – Positive for NMLSTA in many regards

Scope Advisory (Cordy)
No meetings for the Scope Advisory Committee.

Treasurer (Jodie)
See Treasurer’s report in the NMLSTA drive.

Technology and Communication (Lori/Peter Kelly)
Lori Chen - Information is needed from new Board members for the Leader page of the website.
Revised Constitution to be added.
New subpage has been added to the website for listing past Webinar topics.
Idea of the Month for July, August, and September.
Peter Kelly – Idea of the Month. Will solicit more idea volunteers in the fall.

VI. **New Business**

VII. **For the good of the order/Announcements**

VIII. **Adjournment**
Motion to adjourn the Board of Directors meeting. Next meeting August 20, 2023, 1:00 PM Eastern.
Moved by: Kathy Brooks
Seconded by: Anne Schoeffler
Action: Passed unanimously, Meeting adjourned at 2:15 pm Eastern