



NMLSTA
Celebrating 30 Years
Supporting Middle Level Science Teachers



NMLSTA Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

March 31, 2022

Meeting Held at National Science Teaching Association National Conference, Houston, TX

- I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5 pm CT.
- II. Roll Call:
Edralin. Pagarigan, Alison Seymour, Anne Schoeffler, Lori Chen, Covey Denton, Peter Kelly, Mary Lou Lipscomb, Bailey O'Reilly, Melissa Sleeper, Cory Strawser, Elizabeth Weissman
- III. Meeting minutes from the February 27, 2022, were approved.
- IV. Program committee:
 - A. NMLSTA has successful presentation
 - B. Mary Lou Lipscomb is asking if members would like to present in Chicago conference
 - C. Mary Lou Lipscomb sent the newsletter through the middle level listserv
- V. Lessons learned from the Houston conference:
 - A. More time for MMITM to prepare for Chicago
 - B. Accepting presentations for anyone who is not an affiliate
 - C. Mary Lou Lipscomb - NMLSTA has 10 hours of presenting (8 hours of presentation 2 hours of meeting)
 - D. Chicago conference: Share-a-thon would be like the past with at least 50 presenters
 - E. There were 12 tables for the Share-a-thon in Houston conference
 - F. Would love to offer door prizes in Chicago conference
 - G. Mary Lou Lipscomb - Need more people to help and more time to ask for sponsorship for MMITM
- VI. Discussion about the awards application by Board of Directors members
 - A. Spring classroom awards were launched on 03/29/22, Members have 1 month to apply
 - B. Alison Seymour- Board of Directors were allowed to apply in the classroom awards but not the Hurd award
 - C. Hurd award is sponsored by an agency outside of NMLSTA
 - D. Discussion about the awards application by Board of Directors started in the jamboard that Alison created
 - E. Cori Strawser– As Board of Directors, it is part of your service while sitting on Board of Directors, thus we cannot apply for award
 - F. Mary Lou Lipscomb - We could put this into motion to have a vote electronically
 - G. If we want to put it into a vote, Edralin could put an information out as an outgoing President since Alison is the Awards Chair
 - H. Anne Schoeffler – Made a motion to put a discussion whether Board of Directors members are or are not allowed to apply awards during their term
 - I. Mary Lou Lipscomb seconded the motion

- VII. Edralin Pagarigan presented the President's report
- VIII. Anne Schoeffler presented the results of the election:
 - A. Lori Chen – President-elect
 - B. Jodie Harden - Treasurer
 - C. Suzanne Cunningham, Anne Schoeffler – Board of Directors
- IX. Goals for 2022
 - A. Alison Seymour – Website needs to be more concentrated this year, we need more sponsorships
 - B. Membership
 - 1. Elizabeth Weissman - we are behind for a month in receiving memberships through NSTA, we need to get more memberships other than NSTA
 - 2. Mary Lou Lipscomb - it's okay to promote NMLSTA through BOD members
 - 3. Elizabeth Weissman - suggestion of membership spotlights and have members who are active to spread the word about joining NMLSTA
 - 4. Mary Lou Lipscomb - Getting in touch with more members in some way, like using email address that is accessible all year round. Let Mary Lou Lipscomb or Board of Directors know if they are not receiving emails from NMLSTA
 - 5. Bailey O'Reilly – Are we allowed to contact other organizations?
 - 6. Mary Lou Lipscomb – There are representatives of other organizations in NMLSTA but there is no reason we are not allowed to do that
 - 7. Suggestion is to have a representative from each state on the Board of Directors.
 - C. Webinars
 - 1. Alison Seymour – Will webinars be continued?
 - 2. Mary Lou Lipscomb - Would like to continue that but as long as ML does not run the webinar, no more than one in a month after July
 - 3. Mary Lou Lipscomb – Member attendance in webinars went down, Need to look for people associated with non-profit company
 - 4. Alison Seymour - Webinars are one of the things that we mention to people as benefit of membership
 - 5. Mary Lou Lipscomb – There are people to think about when contacting, Those who show leadership
 - D. Alison Seymour - We will put all suggestions into a summary
 - E. Award Committee
 - 1. Alison Seymour - Recognizing Covey Denton as the Chair for Awards
 - 2. Covey Denton - Accepted the position
 - F. Anne Schoeffler - We will discuss the constitution at a regular meeting.
- X. Motion made to adjourn the meeting by Mary Lou Lipscomb. Motion seconded by Bailey O'Reilly.