



NMLSTA Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

August 7, 2022

12:00 p.m.(noon) – 1:00 p.m. (Eastern Time)

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I. Call to Order: 12:04 EST

II. Roll Call

Board Member	In Attendance	Board Member	In Attendance	Board Member	In Attendance
Alison Seymour	X	Kathy Biernat		Bailey O'Reilly	X
Edralin Pagarigan	X	Kathy Brooks	X	Anne Farley Schoeffler	X
Loris (Lori) Chen	X	Suzanne Cunningham	X	Kristin Slota	
Elizabeth (Liz) Martinez	X	Covey Denton		Corydon (Cordy) Strawser	
Jodie Harnden	X	Peter Kelly	X	Elizabeth Weismann	X
		Mary Lou Lipscomb	X	Heather Anglin (NSTA)	
		Corinne (Cori) Nelson			

III. Review/Approval of Minutes from July 10, 2022, meeting

Anne Farley Schoeffler made motion to accept minutes as written.

Suzanne Cunningham seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Old Business

1. NSTA Chicago Conference Debrief (Mary Lou Lipscomb)

Share-a-Thon was successful. Participants (~100) enjoyed event. 5 presenters did not show, nor did they share they wouldn't be able to participate. MySciLife provided Elmo as a door prize.

Meet & Greet sponsored by MySciLife. 38 attendees. Money refunded for drinks. Most food was consumed. Cost approximately \$4000 – included 25% hotel fee, 12.5% city tax. They're also promoting NMLSTA membership. Thank you note sent.

V. Standing Committee Reports (alphabetical order)

1. AoA (Liz): Shared during New Business

2. Awards (Bailey): Fall awards will be open from August 29, 2022 – October 2, 2022. Still trying to contact spring winners. Hopefully with school beginning, emails will be read.

3. Membership (Elizabeth): 320 Active members, 712 Overdue renewals, 51 Renewals/New members last month due to NSTA

Alison Seymour suggested NMLSTA President write a monthly letter welcoming and engaging new members.

4. Middle Level Teaching (Kathy): No meeting

5. Scope Advisory (Cordy): No report

6. Treasurer (Jodie): Budget concerns, Need revenue. Report

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/u/1/d/1vFOiw42Y2LB8dRZ_YyENSkVBmXd4NgLX/edit?usp=drive

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7. Technology and Communication (Lori): Add website redesign ideas to jamboard for tech meeting immediately following today's Board meeting.
8. Constitution (Anne): Mary Lou Lipscomb will get side by side comparison document up soon. By-laws will be brought up next meeting.

VI. New Business

2022-2023 Planning

1. A website meeting will occur directly after this meeting (Lori/Alison)
 - a. Working Document can be found at:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1D_FcGs_k3-flQ9w9jllxtzDKjL4Ei9DHaIxpYbD_ukc/edit?pli=1
 - b. Jamboard for website suggestions:
<https://jamboard.google.com/d/1bqPNTPBnpLFMQqqVSdjdbE0z4jcZHVJ86Cwec84GrCQ/viewer?f=0>
2. Sponsorship opportunities – Developing guidelines (Alison)

Inter Ed - wants to do webinar and will contribute 5 - \$100 Classroom Teacher Awards
 BrainPOP – Alison meeting with them August 19th. They wish to help sponsor the Atlanta conference, and want a Middle Level focus group of teachers to review product.
 Policy(ies) for sponsorship to be developed. Committee formed – Alison Seymour (chair), Edralin Pagarigan, Mary Lou Lipscomb, Liz Martinez
 Lori Chen suggested 3 categories for webinar presenters/sponsorship: Non-profit, Profit, Sponsors. NMLSTA needs to develop disclaimer regarding product endorsement of sponsors similar to NSTA’s. Develop policy document that require Board approval.
 Sponsorship priority goal.
3. Webinar schedule for 2022-2023

9 possible organizations/scientists. Anne Farley Schoeffler and Mary Lou Lipscomb will contact and schedule. Days to be determined.

Topic	Comments
ADD SEPTEMBER	
InterEd	For Profit, Willing to sponsor 5 Classroom Awards, Saori Osu, Aoi Carle
IIHS HLDI Crash Classroom	Nonprofit, Griff Jones
Animalearn	Nonprofit, Nicole Green, Alisa Brooks
HalfEarth Project	Nonprofit, E.O. Wilson Biodiversity Foundation, Dennis Liu
Terracycle	Profit, Eric Ascalon
Computational Biologist	Kai Orton – waiting for response
Shark Research	Taylor Chapple – confirmed https://marineresearch.oregonstate.edu/users/taylor-chapple
UIC Misty Robot Project	Nonprofit, Joe Michaelis
Thinking is Power	Melanie Trecek-King

4. NSTA/NMLSTA – Future directions and planning (Liz/Alison)
 - a. NMLSTA at the NSTA Atlantic Conference: NSTA’s meeting direction/format changing – smaller footprint, types of sessions, more 30 – minute sessions, speed sharing, poster sessions will remain.

Following information shared

Conferences 2023 Calendar Year – Session Types NOT Hours

Use all at 1 conference **OR** Spread equally over 2

Do **NOT** have to use **ALL**

CANNOT vary from

- 2 Poster presentations
- 2 Speed sharing presentations
- 2 30-minute presentations
- 4 Hour-long sessions (presentation, share-a-thon, or workshop)
- All sessions go through NSTA review process

Pre-conference Course Discussion: Offer valuable themed session, Board has skills & experience to do this, Time commitment, How many people can attend

Lori Chen suggested possible theme: Sensemaking – primary sources, interdisciplinary approach, students as scientists, action projects

Audience: Pre-service and current teachers

Alison Seymour: Opportunity survey, 5 - \$20 Amazon Cards, Seek information about why would attend NSTA Atlanta to help assess pre-conference course feasibility

NMLSTA Atlanta Conference suggestion: Pre-conference Course, Share-a-Thon, Meet & Greet, Membership Meeting

VII. For the good of the order/Adjourn

Kathy Brooks made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Anne Farley Schoeffler seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 1:04pm EST.