



SIGMA XI

The Scientific Research Society

Sigma Xi Executive Board meeting agenda
February 6, 2008 3:30-5:00 pm
Williams Administration Building, Room 310

(3:30 – 5:00)

Welcome: Fuller Bazer

I. Old Business

- New member fees & member dues (Sorin Popescu)
- Treasurer's report (Mark Zoran)
- Awards Committee update (Jane Metty)

II. New business

- Updates: Spring Symposium & Banquet (Mark Holtzapple)
- Annual Conference proposal (Mark Holtzapple)
- Nominating committee for President-Elect (Fuller Bazer)
- Café Scientifique (Fuller Bazer)
- Proposal discussion (William Klemm)
- Organized University-wide outreach efforts (Larry Johnson)
- Polar Palooza Tour in College Station – Fall 2008 (Chuck Kennicutt)

SIGMA XI EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

April 29, 2008

Minutes

Attendees	Guests
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bazer, Fuller;• Emani, Chandra;• Fackler, John;• Holtzapple, Mark;• Klemm, Bill;• Maldonado, Theresa;• Talreja, Ramesh;• Wilson, Van;• Zoran, Mark	

I. OLD BUSINESS

- February 6, 2008 minutes draft: Motioned passed to accept minutes draft from February 6, 2008 meeting
- Treasurer report: Motion passed to accept the treasurer report from Treasurer Mark Zoran
- Membership committee: Members motioned to accept nomination of Chandra Emani as 2008-2009 membership chair
- Comments/feedback regarding 2008 Symposium and Banquet: Members requested Symposium and Banquet to be held closer to central campus and asked for consideration of how to increase attendance.

Recommendations/Actions/Follow-Up: (responsible party)

- Upload minutes to Sigma Xi web site (Coordinator)
- Facilitate meeting between outgoing and incoming membership chair (Coordinator)
- Chandra Emani encouraged to increase members of membership committee to represent science, geosciences, veterinary medicine, engineering, agriculture and medicine (Membership chair)
- Secure MSC rooms for Distinguished Scientist Lecture, Symposium and Banquet (Coordinator)
- Members and guest speakers encouraged to provide extra credit for students who attend the Symposium (Executive Board and Symposium speakers)
- Send Membership Chair updated active and inactive membership list (Coordinator)

II. NEW BUSINESS

- New members: Bill Klemm appealed to members to consider methods to increase membership. New membership chair will coordinate with Executive Director and report back to Executive Board, regarding proposal to increase chapter membership.
- 2009 Symposium and Banquet: Executive Committee accepted April 3, 2009 as final date for banquet and Wednesday March 25, 2008 as the date for the Symposium.
- Distinguished Scientist Lecture: Awaiting date and time confirmation from Dr. Richard Orville.
- Nominating Committee for President Elect: Nominations are solicited each year to reflect a rotation in Presidency from among life sciences, engineering and health sciences. Exec. Board asked for Fuller Bazer to find willing candidate to serve as President-Elect and vet through Exec. Board for final approval.
- Café Scientifique: Formed in collaboration with the national Sigma Xi office, coordinate with Ms. Kate Stumpo, who organizes the local Science Café and set up meeting with her and Dr. Bazer.'
- Proposal discussion: William Klemm and Larry Johnson discussed proposal regarding organized university-wide outreach efforts. Suggested coordinating these efforts through Sigma Xi. Motioned passes by full Exec. Board for William Klemm to go forward with proposal and provide follow up back to the Exec. Board.
- Polar Palooza: Chuck Kennicutt presented details of the event and the possibility of it coming through College Station, TX. Exec. Board agreed to be involved and help support if the event comes to College Station, TX.

Recommendations/Actions/Follow-Up:

- Publicize membership for undergraduate/graduate through department listservs (Coordinator)
- Awards Committee Chair contacted regarding increase in membership of committee and representation of sciences, engineering, agriculture and medicine.
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