

**Alaska Entomological Society Annual Meeting
Fairbanks DNR office and online - February 17, 2023 meeting minutes**

Annual meeting attendance:

In-Person:

Roger Burnside
Curtis Knight
Jina Malone
Dennis Fielding
Alex Wenninger
Dana Brennan
Sayde Ridling
Robin Andrews
Taylor Kane
Thalles Pereira
Derek Sikes
Joey Slowik
Julie Riley

Online:

Mike Baldwin
Beth Baker
Jessie Moan
Garret Dubois
Jackson Audley
Janice Chumley
Chris Fettig
Elizabeth Graham
Steve Swenson
Jason Moan
Dan Bogan
Jason Grant

Alaska Entomological Society Annual Meeting Minutes

Present:

Dana Brennan (President)
Robin Andrews (Vice President)
Roger Burnside (Treasurer)
Taylor Kane (Secretary)

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2023 Business meeting: called to order at 2:49 pm

Treasurer report: (Roger Burnside)

Northrim Bank Balances as of 2/17/2023

Total amount in checking: \$939.90

Total amount in JumpUp CD: \$7235.59

Discussion:

Alaska Science fair

- We need a replacement for the bioquip gifts that used to be awarded, which were ~\$25
 - (Julie Riley) Nasco has a student entomology kit but it is more expensive.
 - (Taylor Kane) It would be good to have a physical gift instead of a gift card

Motion to just give \$25 cash.

- 11 in favor.

Motion passed.

Judges for the upcoming Science Fair will be:

- Anchorage - Dana
- Fairbanks - Derek, Taylor or Thalles
- SE - Dana or Liz

New logo/t-shirt:

- (Taylor Kane) It would be nice to have stickers / t shirts, which could be a potential source of extra income.

- We have the option of selling t-shirts with our current logo, or creating a new design for the stickers/t shirts OR a new design with the old logo on the back/sleeve.
- (Robin Andrews) we could also have a contest for designs (community involvement).
- We will form a committee to decide on a artist/new design.
 - Committee: Taylor, Sayde, Dana, Roger, Thalles
 - We will set aside \$600 to pay for a new design (Roger Burnside)
- Once a design is decided on, we will sell T-shirts and stickers through an on-demand online option (maybe cafe press- this is what we used to sell through, or teepublic).
- Motion to vote on having a committee to decide on a new design, which will be presented to the society once we have it, and be used on stickers and t shirts.
 - 12 in favor, 1 against, motion passed.

Newsletter ISSN/Databasing:

- (Thalles Pereira) it would be good to have an International standard serial number for the AKES Newsletter.

- after discussion, it is unclear if there is an advantage to having this
- (Robin Andrews) it could be good to have the newsletter database with the UAF Library, so it is available in perpetuity.
 - motion to database the newsletter with the UAF library:
 - all in favor
 - Motion passed, Robin will look into it.

Funding for travel:

- Roger Burnside requested funding to help cover his trip to Fairbanks for the AKES meeting. This is unprecedented, and is not clearly covered within our bylaws.
 - Broadly, funding for meeting expenses are not covered at all in the bylaws. For the 2023 annual meeting, the only additional expense would be food/coffee the president bought.
- (Kane, Wenninger) In the future it would be good to set up a google form for travel funds (set amount or as needed, a little for many people or a lot for one), to be determined before the meeting, and accessible to all society members.
- Motion to vote to approve funding for meeting expenses: food, travel for Roger to meeting (\$350), and for the board will meet for how/when we reimburse officers, presenters etc. before next meeting.
 - Motion passed: 9 in favor, 2 against

Social media

- Derek Sikes and Dana Brennan will continue posting on the Facebook account.
 - Members can funnel more content towards them to be posted.
- Dana is reaching out to Sydney Brannoch about Twitter activity.

Investments

- For more growth, we could invest in a MP63 DRIPX fund.
 - for this account, we need 3 signers at least
 - Roger Burnside, Matt Bowser, Sayde Ridling, Mike Baldwin will all help with this.
- We still need to check in with the IRS about what would change if we did this.
- Roger Burnside will continue working on them, along with the other volunteers.

Student Award: Robin Andrews!

- Roger Burnside will mail her a check

New Officers:

We will be retaining all officers in their current positions:

Dana Brennan (President)

Robin Andrews (Vice President)

Roger Burnside (Treasurer)

Taylor Kane (Secretary)

- Motion to keep the same officers:
 - All in favor, motion passed

Move to adjourn meeting

Meeting adjourned 4:27 pm