

Quarterly Council Meeting of the Florida Academy of Sciences
Orlando Science Center - 22 January 2011
David Karlen, FAS President-Elect, presiding

1. Present: Pasco Avery, John Baker, Chris Brown, Kym Rouse Campbell, Carmen Carpenter, Mark Chiappone, Gilbert Ellis, David Karlen, Leslie Lieberman, Jeremy Montague (minutes), Eric Perlman, David Pick, Sanjay Sesodia, BiBi Singh, Jack Stout, John Trefry, Mark Wade, Pat Zalo, Kelli Zargiel. (Guests present: FAS Executive Director Ed Haddad, FAS Office Manager Julie Regier, and Jenny Bouchard)
2. Apologies for Absence: Thomas Manning, Ramon Ruiz-Cruz, David Karlen for Richard Turner, and Barry Wharton
3. President-Elect David Karlen opened the meeting.
4. Approval of 11 September 2010 Council Minutes – Jeremy Montague (Interim Secretary):
 - a. The 9-11-2011 Minutes were approved by Council.
5. Reports of Officers & Chairs of Standing Committees:
 - a. President & Executive Committee – David Karlen for Richard Turner:
 - i. An action item concerning Julie Regier’s retirement was announced and scheduled for discussion during “*New Business*” at the end of the agenda.
 - ii. Report approved by Council.
 - b. Executive Director - Edward Haddad:
 - i. No action items.
 - ii. Ed Haddad described the current state of FAS membership as “*increased*” compared with the membership 12 months ago (from 144 to 158 members), with student memberships up in this time period (from 7 to 15).
 - iii. Report approved by Council.
 - c. Treasurer – David Karlen for Richard Turner for Ramon Ruiz-Carus:
 - i. No action items.
 - ii. Ramon Ruiz-Carus’ 4th-Quarter Report (31 December 2010) noted total income of \$6,977 and total expenses of \$13,117 for a balance of -\$6,252.
 - iii. Report approved by Council.
 - d. Florida Endowment for the Sciences Committee – David Karlen for Richard Turner for Don Lovejoy:
 - i. No action items. Don Lovejoy’s report noted good performance for both the Endowment Fund and the Elizabeth A. Hays Travel Award Fund.
 - ii. Report approved by Council.
 - e. Finance Committee – David Karlen for Richard Turner:
 - i. Report and four action items were discussed (see next page).

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1. Richard Turner proposed the establishment of the principal for the 2010 FAS Endowment Fund as \$206,794 as of 1/22/2011; David Karlen distinguished this from the actual declared value of \$268,000; Council discussed and approved.
 2. Richard Turner proposed a withdrawal of \$13,435 (= 5% of the actual declared value) for current operating expenses. John Trefry noted that the operating expenses should be taken only from the annual growth of the Endowment fund (approximately \$22,000 for 2009-2010). Council discussed and approved.
 3. With regard to the Elizabeth A. Hays Travel Fund, Richard Turner proposed that no funds should be withdrawn at this time, as donations in 2010 supplied the money sufficient to fund the single \$100 award granted for FAS 2011. Council discussed and approved.
 4. Richard Turner presented the proposed FAS 2011 budget for Council approval. He noted approximately \$44,000 of projected total income and approximately \$47,000 of projected total costs, *i.e.*, there is a projected net loss of approximately \$2,500 for 2011. Council discussed and approved.
 - ii. The Finance Committee Report was approved by Council.
- f. Development Committee – David Karlen for Richard Turner:
- i. No report, no action items.
- g. Florida Junior Academy of Science – Pat Zalo:
- i. No action items.
 - ii. Pat Zalo was pleased to announce the good response she received in her request for FAS judges.
 - iii. Pat Zalo also noted that of the five FJAS entrants who had submitted to the National JAS, only one will actually attend.
 - iv. Pat Zalo discussed a number of award plaques she had from Al's Trophy Shop, and asked interested Council members to contact her concerning availability.
 - v. Report approved by Council.
- h. Editor, *Florida Scientist* – David Karlen for Richard Turner for Tom Manning:
- i. No action items.
 - ii. Report approved by Council.
- i. Journal Business Manager – David Karlen for Richard Turner:
- i. No action items
 - ii. Report approved by Council.
- j. Charter & Bylaws Committee – Leslie Lieberman:
- i. No report, no action items.

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- k. Honors Committee – John Trefry:
 - i. No report, no action items.
 - ii. The selection of Medalist for FAS 2011 is underway.
- l. Nominating Committee – David Karlen for Richard Turner:
 - i. No report.
 - ii. Mark Wade was elected the third elected member of the Nominating Committee.
 - iii. The Nominating Committee will present a slate of nominations (see below) for election at the 3:30 pm FAS Business Meeting (Friday, 11 March 2011):
 - 1. President-Elect (2011-2013)
 - 2. Secretary (2011-2013/14)
 - 3. Treasurer (2011-2013/14)
 - 4. Elected Councilor-at-Large (2011-2013)
 - iv. Note on the terms for Secretary and Treasurer above: the terms of Secretary and Treasurer should now be staggered to ensure that in the future we will not have to hold an election for both positions in the same year. This means that for 2011 only, we will elect one officer for a three-year term and the other for a two-year term. The decision on which office will carry the three-year term will be made by the Nominating Committee before the 11 March 2011 Business Meeting.
- m. FAS Delegate to NAS/AAAS –Leslie Lieberman:
 - i. No report, no action items.
 - ii. Leslie Lieberman noted that she will be travelling to Washington, DC in February 2011 to attend the National NAS/AAAS meeting.
- n. Membership Committee – Dave Karlen:
 - i. No report, no action items.
- o. Website – David Karlen for Richard Turner for Dan Odell:
 - i. No report, no action items.
 - ii. David Karlen clarified Dan Odell’s role: Dan is not the technically the webmaster, but he is in direct communication with the actual webmaster.
 - iii. FAS spends approximately \$104 per year on the website, which Council deemed an economical expenditure.
 - iv. Council noted the good appearance and usefulness of the FAS website.
- p. Awards Committee – David Karlen for Richard Turner for Barry Wharton:
 - i. No action items.
 - ii. Richard Turner noted that there was a single applicant this year for the 2011 Elizabeth A. Hays Travel Award (see Finance Committee action item #3, p. 2).

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- iii. Report approved by Council.
- q. Local Arrangements Committee – John Trefry:
 - i. No report, no action items.
 - ii. John Trefry discussed the room availabilities and computer/projector AV needs. (A later campus walking tour was conducted.) Program Chair Jeremy Montague agreed that all rooms and AV equipment were very suitable and thanked John Trefry for a job well done.
- r. Program Committee – Jeremy Montague:
 - i. No action items
 - ii. Jeremy Montague noted that total abstract submissions were up approximately 30% (176 submitted so far in 2011, compared with 134 submitted at this time in 2010).
 - iii. Report approved by Council.
- s. Section Chair Reports:
 - i. AGR – Pasco Avery (no discussion).
 - ii. ANT – Gilbert Ellis (no discussion).
 - iii. AOS – Kelli Zargiel: Kelli Zargiel noted an excellent response and expected turnout for the proposed AOS Special Session in Memory of Dr. Beth Irlandi.
 - iv. BIO – Mark Chiappone: Mark discussed plans to coordinate the BIO oral presentations with Jack Stout (RES). Mark also noted that Kym Rouse Campbell volunteered to moderate one of the concurrent BIO sessions at FAS 2011.
 - v. ENG – John Baker (no discussion).
 - vi. GHS – Chris Brown (no discussion).
 - vii. MED – Sanjay Sesodia (no discussion).
 - viii. TCH – Tom Arnold and Carmen Carpenter (no discussion).
- 6. History/Archives: In commemoration of the 75th Anniversary Meeting of FAS, Leslie Lieberman and John Baker proposed the development of a DVD presentation on the History of Florida Science to be displayed in a viewing room near the FAS 2011 Registration Desk. Leslie outlined the video clips she has selected (content concerning Marjory S. Douglas, NASA exploration, *etc.*). In addition, John noted his work on a large display poster for the FAS 75th Anniversary Meeting. Council advised and discussed the good progress made by Leslie and John, and thanked them for their efforts
- 7. Old Business:
 - a. No old action items; no discussion.
- 8. New Business:
 - a. FAS Office Manager Julie Regier announced her retirement, effective 1 February 2011.
 - b. Ed Haddad and Julie Regier introduced the candidate for Julie's position, Ms. Jenny Bouchard. Council approved Jenny to start 1 February 2011.

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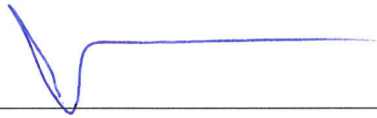
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- c. Council also approved a 2-week concurrent pay period for both Julie and Jenny (24 January to 4 February) for training during the transition period.
- d. Leslie Lieberman and Ed Haddad suggested the creation of a FAS “*advisory committee*” (as developed in other State Academies of Sciences) to interact with Florida corporations, academic institutions and various interested local groups concerning our institutional visibility, grant writing projects, and fund raising efforts.
- e. Next Quarterly Council Meeting: Thursday, 10 March 2011 at Florida Institute of Technology (Olin Life Sciences Building, 7 pm)

9. Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeremy Montague, Interim Secretary



1 March 2011