



Carlisle Area Science Advisory Committee

To promote interest in science among our area's young people

CASAC MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was held at Lamberton Middle School on Wednesday, January 14, 2008. The meeting was called to order by Pam Foster at 4:13 p.m.

Members present: Linda Stoltz, IFEC; Michael Stefanic, Cumberland Geoscience Consultants; Rosa Rangel, PADEP; Jill Brown, St. Patrick; Laurie Gray, Yellow Breeches; Joan Mulholland, Mt. Holly; Emily McDevitt, Carlisle HS; Chantal Savage, Carlisle HS; Pam Foster, Carlisle, HS; Jean Fendrich, Lamberton; Allison Thumma, Wilson MS.

The December were reviewed and accepted as printed.

Treasurer's Report: The current balance is \$2035.55. Per Laurie, there was an additional \$1000 donated but not yet added to the report. The Treasurer's report was approved.

Committees:

Science Fair Logistics: We need sign to post outside of the school building to help guide people to the right locations on Fair night. Laurie to contact Fred Withum about these. Mike will get a sign made thanking the Fair sponsors. Pam will see about getting a donation box (we do not know what happened to last year's box). Laurie to check about locking up of the building on Friday and Saturday nights.

Judges Dinner – We will continue to have a turkey dinner, but have less expensive desserts. Price is \$8 per person. We have an approximate headcount of 120.

Ribbons, Trophies & Medals – Per Pam, Ed had to order more ribbons. He will have them at Yellow Breeches for Fair night.

Judging – Elementary: Per Pam, Carlisle Christian Academy will not be entering any projects this year. Also, we need more judges for grades 6-12. Linda has the grading rubric ready. Additional clarification of judging was discussed. If a project is considered a true experiment (by scientific method) but receives 34 points or less, it should receive an "Honorable Mention." In this way, this project will be distinguished from one that is a demonstration, which would receive a "Participation" at most. Joan will cover this during the judges' training on Fair night.

Data – Per Mike, there are currently 639 projects entered in the Fair. He will print off project labels this weekend.

New Business – Bad weather alternate Fair night is February 6, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:59 pm. **The next meeting will be held at Lamberton Middle School, Room 77, on Wednesday February 18, 2009 at 4 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

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