



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, September 15, 2010. The meeting was called to order by Pam Foster at 4:10 p.m.

Members present: Rosa Rangel, PADEP; Pam Foster, Carlisle HS; Chantal Savage, Carlisle HS; Joan Mulholland, CASD; Laurie Gray, Yellow Breeches; Jill Brown, St. Patrick; Ed Owens, retired; Jean Fendrich, Lamberton; Steve Lockhart, Boiling Springs H.S; Lauren Tustin, LeTort; Megan Bieber, LeTort.

Time was taken to introduce the newest CASAC members and to explain some of CASAC's activities.

The May meeting minutes were reviewed and accepted.

Treasurer's Report: The report covered the 5/1/10 to 8/31/10 time period. The current checking account balance is \$2,077.50. The money market account balance is \$3,190.01. Per Laurie, we are about \$700 ahead of where we were this time last year. The Treasurer's report was approved.

Committee Reports:

Science Fair Logistics – This year's fair is to be held at Yellow Breeches Middle School from January 28th through 30th, 2011. Pam will reserve approx. 250 tables. She will check with Fred Withum (Yellow Breeches principal) to review some items.

Fair Applications – Steve went over this year's updated application. The Excel spreadsheets that teachers fill out with project info must get to Steve by our December meeting (12/15/10). Project tear-down time to change to 3 to 5pm on Sunday afternoon. Steve will take care of getting posters and applications to our October meeting. **Schools need to send a representative to the 10/20/10 meeting to pick up their Fair materials.**

Judging Committee – Laurie and Joan will be co-Chairpersons for the Elementary Division and Chantal and Kevin Spicer will be co-Chairs for the Junior/Senior Divisions.

Fundraising/Endowment Funds – Ed to be Chairperson. Per Ed, as of 7/2/10 CASAC has been granted tax-exempt status per section 501 (c)(3) of the IRS tax code. He will keep the original IRS letter in the CASAC safe deposit box and submitted a copy to the Secretary. He has met with the United Way and he recommended that the CASAC President write an official letter to them (and perhaps attaching testimonial letters) asking for application to join the United Way. Ed will take the IRS letter to the G.B. Stewart Foundation (a trust created for the benefit of the local community) to see about applying for funds.

Fundraising/General Funds – Jean to be Chairperson.

Scholarship – Chantal to be Chairperson.

Data – Steve, Ed and Tom Ha to make up this committee. Pam will contact Greg Rudder to see if he would be interested.

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New Business: Pam to contact Dickinson College about possible meetings there. She will also contact the Carlisle Christian Academy (formerly Bethel Christian Academy) about having a school representative join CASAC.

Jill suggested passing out flyers to judges on Fair night to encourage them to join CASAC.

There was some discussion about having professors or college students participate in some type of after school science class to have a talk/demonstration for the students or to help them with their science projects. If you have any ideas on how to facilitate this, please contact Pam.

The meeting was adjourned at 5pm. **The next meeting will be held at Lamberton Middle School, Room 77, on Wednesday October 20, 2010 at 4 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Rosa M. Rangel, Co-Secretary