**OFFICERS:** Phyllis Baca, President, Jeanne Banks, Treasurer; Claudia Barreto, Secretary

**Saturday, June 13, 2015,**

**Flying Star, 723 Silver St, ABQ**

**Attendees:** Phyllis Baca, Jeanne Banks, Claudia Barreto, Cheri Burch, Tinka Gammel, Dana Roberson, Barbara Torres

**Proxy ?**

**TOPIC PRESENTER**

**Call to Order Phyllis Baca**

10:19 am

**Secretary’s Report Claudia Barreto**

I apologize, but I just found the minutes from the last meeting! I will get them to Tinka to post. Please advise me of any errors/omissions.

**Treasurer’s Report Jeanne Banks**

The balance is $15,457.69.

Most awardees have cashed their NM State Science & Engineering Fair checks.

2 big deposits ($5K each) came in in May (Blue Cross Blue Shield) & (oil drilling company) for local EYHs. Jeanne proposed that in the future we might want to establish a policy that NMNWSE State EYH would get some percent (e.g., 10%) of any corporate/foundation donations, above a certain amount, since we supply totes bags, insurance, registrations, etc… ***We need to discuss this further.***

We have not received any Amazon Smile $. Jeanne will look into this.

We need to reimburse Tinka Gammel for the PO Box. We will discuss the procedures necessary to move the box to an area where more members would have access to colleting the mail at the Annual Meeting.

**Reports from Standing Committee Chairs:**

**Annual Meeting Chair ---------------------------------------------------------- Diane Oyen**

Diane Oyen has reserved the entire Sierra Grande Lodge in Truth or Consequences for October 23-25. Rooms are available to NMNWSE at the regular rates by calling 575-894-6976 and stating that it is for NMNWSE or give Diane’s name. People can check the website for rates and descriptions of rooms (www.sierragrandelodge.com, then click “reservations” to get a list of rooms). The block of rooms will be reserved for us until September 23. They do not offer group discounts on the weekends because they are typically fully booked anyway. All rooms include hot breakfast in the restaurant (for two people) and 30 minutes of private soaking per day. Note that most rooms have one bed (a king or queen). There are 17 rooms plus the 2-bedroom casita.

We also have the Conference Space for 8 am – 5 pm on Saturday, October 24. We will use the Casita for the Friday night reception and for the board meeting on Sunday.

Looking at the schedule used in 2008, one thing has changed since then. The restaurant is now open. This means (a) we can’t use the restaurant as a meeting space; and (b) catering in the conference space is available via the restaurant. ***We need clarification: Does this mean we are constrained to having them as our caterer?*** Diane is still looking into catering prices for morning snack/coffee (Jeanne Banks said she would cater from COSCO, if possible), lunch (although previously the schedule included a couple hours of free-time at lunch), and dinner.

**Action items:**

1. Need volunteer for Technical Program Chair. Tinka Gammel will ask Carmen Lappo is she would be able to serve.
2. Requesting keynote suggestions. Someone from Spaceport?

Cheri is helping Diane (as she is due is 6 weeks!).

Barbara Torres will send Diane Oyen (& cc Cheri Burch) a template budget to help her structure the budget.

We do want to hold the Friday evening reception in the Casita.

We need to arrange for the banquet.

We need to locate an alternate hotel for less $ for student attendees.

In the past we have offered scholarships for student presenters.

**Communications ----------------------------------------------------------------------- Tinka Gammel**

The newsletter is now on-line. Please send any news to Tinka.

**Membership ----------------------------------------------------------------------------- Dana Roberson**

The membership list was sent out. An updated list with the new members will be sent out. We will have 51 members once the new members are processed.

**IMPACT! Award ------------------------------------------------------------------------- Phyllis Baca**

Phyllis wants to move ahead with marketing for award nominations. All the information is on the webpage. We decided to change date due for nominations to Sept 14.

**Fundraising ------------------------------------------------------------------------------- Rebecca Galves**

We were awarded $2,500 from BCBS for EYH.

Google has advertised that they will be awarding community grants now that they are located in NM. Rebecca can prepare a packet to be submitted by Jeanne Banks if Rebecca feels she has a conflict of interest in applying to Google.

**Policies and Procedures ---------------------------------------------------------------- Jeanne Banks**

Jeanne Banks & Barbara Torres will have updates to propose at the annual meeting.

**Publicity/Outreach ---------------------------------------------------------------------- Barbara Torres**

Barbara Torres would like to plan some events to promote the Network and recruit members & volunteers. She suggested one at St. Claire’s and also a non-alcoholic event such as an ice-cream social. Phyllis Baca and Barbara will brainstorm ideas and update us.

**Student Awards -------------------------------------------------------------------------- Mercedes Agogino**

No updates.

**Elections ------------------------------------------------------------------------------------ Yolanda King**

Nominations for board candidates are due by October 5, 2015. We are looking for volunteers for both the President and the Vice President/President-elect for the October election, as well Members-at-Large and standing Chair positions. If you are interested in serving on the Board, please contact the Elections Chair by email, NMNWSE\_Board-L@list.unm.edu.

**NM Girls Collaborative Liaison -------------------------------------------------------- Cheri Burch**

The online database of STEM events for girls can be accessed by anyone. You need to contact the Collaborative to post an event. The AAUW Tech Trek (1 week for $50 (the rest of the cost is paid for through grants) for girls going into 8th grade) will be held at Highlands University this year. Barbara Torres suggested that we see if any attendees have also attended EYH. There was a reunion of past Tech Trek participants at UNM. It was very successful so this event will be continued.

**Expanding Your Horizons:**

**State -------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------- Rebecca Galves**

We have enough totes for upcoming year.

***There needs to be quarterly coordination meetings for the chairs. They can be via GoToMeeting.***

There are also plans for Rocky Mt Regional meetings

**Central ------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------ Kelly Collins**

Kelly is moving out of state. Maybe Rochelle Larson will step in as contact. The date for the Central EYH will be Jan or Feb.

**Los Alamos ------------------------------------------------------------------------------------- Jan Frigo**

**Santa Fe ----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------- Lina Germann**

The date has been set: September 19th.

**Silver City -------------------------------------------------------------------------------------- Micky Jemin**

**Las Cruces -------------------------------------------------------------------------------------- Becca Galves**

**Carlsbad ----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------- Lisa Chappa**

The date has been set: October 2nd.

**Chapter Reports:**

**Central ------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------ Jeanne Banks**

Strategy for setting up meetings is being discussed.

**Northern ---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------- Jan Frigo**

Lina Germann is working on setting up meetings.

**Southern** --------------------------------------------------------------------------------------- **Becca Galves**

No updates.

**New Business:**

**ACTION ITEMS:**

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| **Date** | **Item** | **Responsible** | **Status** |
| 02.20.15 | Email thread to review weighting & metrics for IMPACT judging. We need a draft, right away, so the criteria can be given to potential nominators. | Phyllis | Open |
| 02.20.15 | Find out if any portion of the membership fee tax deductible. | Jeanne | Open |
| 02.20.15 | GoToMeeting Meetings for EYH Chairs | Phyllis | Open |
| June 15 | Establishing proposed policies for EYH donations. | Jeanne Banks |  |

**Next Board Meeting:** August 8th tentatively @ Flying Star. We will include GoToMeeting.

**Adjourned:** 11:51 am