

Texas Genetics Society
Minutes of the Spring Board of Directors Meeting
April 3, 2009
Wyndham Garden, Austin, TX

Directors present:

Laura Cox	Loren Skow	Susan Naylor
Penny Riggs	Eldon Sutton	Jaimie Butler
Ralf Krahe	Karen Vasquez	Carol Wise
Bill Crider		

Guests:

Rodney Nairn (Local Arrangements)

Minutes

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:55 by President Laura Cox. The minutes of October 20, 2008 board meeting were approved.

2. Report of the Secretary Treasurer

The current balance in the Treasury is \$26,943.04. Susan Naylor estimated that there will be approximately \$14,000 in expenses for the 2009 meeting. The addition of the vendor workshops has made up for the loss of other revenues.

3. New Board Members

Laura Cox introduced the new board members – Charles Long and Brenda Rodgers. She also thanked the leaving board members for their service. She announced that Bhanu Chowdhary was the new President-Elect.

4. Exhibitors.

Bill Crider indicated that this weekend (the first Thursday of April) was a large vendor show in Oklahoma (the Great Symposium). Consequently, we did not have very many vendors. A suggestion was made for a Thursday afternoon workshop next year. Possible times were one hour on Friday, before the keynote speaker (sliding the keynote talk to 8-9), or start the meeting earlier so that it could be at 4 pm.

5. 2010 Annual Meeting

Ralf Krahe and Ann Killary are co-organizers of the 2010 meeting. The meeting will take place at the Onstead Auditorium at MD Anderson Cancer Center. The audio-visual is charged by the hour. They will cater the meals. Rooms will be booked at the Marriott. The tentative dates are March 25-27, 2010.

6. 2011 Annual Meeting

The 2011 meeting will be held in Dallas. Carol Wise and Bill Crider will be in charge of local arrangements. It was suggested that we return to the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children.

7. Handbook of Duties

President Cox indicated that we were in the process of developing a handbook with duties for the President, President-Elect, Secretary-Treasurer, Local Arrangements, and Vendors.

8. Registration

A discussion of alternative methods of collecting registration fees ended with the conclusion that we did not want the complexity of intertwining personal credit with the Society in a Pay Pal account.

9. Fall Board Meeting

Loren indicated that he would be in Washington State until December. He will work the fall board meeting into his trips back to Texas.

9. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm.