#### WTS Arkansas

# **Board Meeting 03/08/2024**

#### 08 March 2024 / 11:01 AM / Teams

#### **ATTENDEES**

Lindi Miller (HNTB), Katie Story-Hogue (AFCO), Suzanne Peyton (LIT), Amanda Furr (Michael Baker), Kristen Spickard (Garver), Jessica Halbrook (Garver), Julia Phillips (BGE), Jill Marchese(Lion Oil), Claire Shoppe (McClelland), Katie Rutledge(Halff), Keli Wylie(ARDOT)

Present attendees in BOLD

#### **AGENDA**

#### **Approval of Minutes**

• Minutes APPROVED as written: Jill motioned to approve, Jessica 2nd



#### **Old Business**

#### Action Items:

- **COMPLETE** 2024 Budget via email before March Meeting Jessica
- Complete Bank Account officer updates Jessica, Suzanne, Lindi, Keli/Zach - not yet completed.
- COMPLETE Email survey to Board interest, availability, and company support for WTS Annual Conference Amanda
- COMPLETE Scholarship Application and Distribution info needed from Jessie Jones - Lindi and Amanda
- COMPLETE Move documents from Google to Teams Amanda
- Swag recommendations for voting Kristen
- Website update Kristen

#### Old Business:

- $\bullet~$  2024 Budget Adoption-Requires Vote-Finance Committee Report
- Annual Conference Budget- covered attendee registrations, no travel expenses

#### **New Business**

• October Happy Hour-Central Arkansas or NWA?? Still debating. Julia is supposed to get lunch with interested parties in NWA.

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Commented [FA3]: Was this completed?

- Consider new date for April Board meeting? Currently April 12, same day as ARDOT Women in STEM conference, creates time conflict for some moving meeting to 4/19
- Swag projections + order to be placed based on inventory
- Motion to approve budget Claire motioned to approve, Katie 2<sup>nd</sup>.
  Unanimous vote

#### **Committee Chair Reports**

#### <u>Membership - Julia & Claire</u>

- Report out
  - o What is the target for events in NWA?
  - o Event with Olsson??
  - o Outreach to MH what will we do with continuing honorary members?

#### <u>Finance - Jessica</u>

- Report out
- 2024 Budget-requires vote (voted)(see above in New Business)
- Annual Conference Budget-cover attendee registrations (4), partial travel expenses (2 attendees), identify attendees that received assistance (Keli, Suzanne, Jessica, Lindi)

#### <u>Communications - Kristen</u>

- Report out
- Swag proposal (inventory to be confirmed)
- Event communications timeline
- Updates to website
  - $\circ$  Currently no job listings. Do we need to ask our partners (at a certain level) if there are any we can post?
  - $\circ~\mbox{Kristen}$  to add calendar graphic to 'Events' tab

#### Programs - Katie R.

- Report out
- March Program 70 registrations as of 3/8/24
  - o Rock Region Metro presenting
  - $\circ\;$  Limit to be set on eventbrite
  - $_{\odot}$  Katie R. to confirm with Clinton max capacity for venue (100? 120?)
  - $\circ~$  Reach out to ATA + ITE for Happy Hour in 2025 what's their schedule?

#### Outreach - Katie S.

- Report out
  - Katie to do personalized outreach to partners to see what is valuable promotion for them.

#### <u>Special Events - Jill</u>

- Report out
- Happy Hours-April, July, & October

## <u>Scholarships - Lindi/Amanda</u>

- Report out
- Scholarship applications opened Feb 1, close April 1
- Scholarship info received from Jessie and loaded on Teams site
- $\bullet\,$  Touch base if we can know how many have submitted applications so far?

Commented [FA4]: Jessica, can you send me the final budget so I can attach to the minutes?

## **GENERAL DISCUSSION**

- Open for discussion
- $\bullet\,$  AFCO Tour Yes doing that for members and we will coordinate on social/newsletter

## **2024 GOALS**

- 1. Increase attendance for Annual Conference
- 2. New Events
  - a. Members Only event in place of Chapter Check-In
  - b. Partnership Recognition event
- 3. Increase student membership.
  - a. 1 person to speak in class per semester

## **ACTION ITEMS**

- Complete Bank Account officer updates Jessica, Suzanne, Lindi, Keli/Zach
- 2. Swag recommendations for voting Kristen
- 3. Website update Kristen

## NEXT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS-APRIL 19, 2024

• N/A