AITP-EDSIG 2014 Annual Meeting Minutes November 8, 2014 Baltimore, MD

A general meeting of AITP-EDSIG was called to order at 5:15 p.m. in Baltimore, MD, November 8, 2014, president Wendy CECCUCCI presided.

ATTENDANCE

An attendance sheet was distributed and collected.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the 2013 general members meeting were reviewed. One small change was noted. In the draft, the word "past" needs to be changed to "passed" in relation to the attendance sheet distribution. A motion was made to accept the minutes with the change noted. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

REPORTS

Treasurer

WU presented the treasurer's report. The budget reflects two major activities – conference and JISE. Revenue for conference and JISE information was presented. The report will be provided as an attachment to these minutes. A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

Membership

BABB presented the membership report.

General EDSIG Data:

185 current EDSIG members 111 (59%) have joined 2011 or earlier 27 (14%) joined in 2012 50 (27%) joined in 2013 or later

The system reported a number that was smaller than actual numbers. The total via WELCH at AITP is 225.

A motion was made to accept the membership report. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

IISE (SUSAN)

JISE has a new editor: Lee Freeman. He has been involved since 2002 as a reviewer, etc. A transition is currently taking place.

CECCUCCI and all EDSIG members thanked Susan for her service.

ELECTIONS

CECCUCCI discussed the election process for the positions. Nominations can be given from the floor in addition to the names given prior to the meeting. Candidates must speak if they are running opposed.

PESLAK reviewed the bylaws. The positions open include president, vice president, and five 2-year terms. President and vice-president require a majority vote.

Only one person had expressed a desire to be president – Scott Hunsinger. The process to open the floor for nominations was followed. A motion was made to close the nominations. It was seconded and passed unanimously. A motion was to elect Scott Hunsinger. It was seconded and passed. HUNSINGER was elected unanimously.

Only one person had expressed a desire to be vice-president - Jeff Babb. The process to open the floor for nominations was followed. A motion was made to close the nominations. It was seconded and passed unanimously. A motion was to elect Jeff Babb. It was seconded and passed. BABB was elected unanimously.

There were six at large positions on the ballot. The ballots were distributed. The call for additional nominations from the floor was made (three times). Motion was made to close the nominations. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

The at large members included: Nita Brooks, Tom Janicki., James Pomykalski., Anthony Serapiglia. Belle Woodward, and Peter Wu.

James Pomykalski was not in attendance; PESLAK presented a written message from him to the members.

Belle Woodward was not here and no one was here to speak for her.

The following individuals were elected as at large members of the board: Nita Brooks, Tom Janicki. James Pomykalski, Anthony Serapiglia, and Peter Wu.

ISECON 2014

JETTON presented the attendance for this year, which included 124 full paid registrants, 12 student, 1 workshop only, and other guests, sponsors, etc.

137 paid with 160 attendees.

This number is down approximately 10 registrants (compared to last year). Sponsor and exhibitor dollars were down as well. The food was much more expensive at this venue.

FITE Contract Discussion

CECCUCCI requested that there not be any comments until she finished speaking. She gave a background of the FITE/ISECON and EDSIG/CONISAR relationship. She summarized what each group does on a slide. Every two years a contract is negotiated. This year FITE proposed a new contract. CECCUCCI noted the changes / biggest issues in the new contract.

She noted that the board of EDSIG rejected the contract.

A question was posed about FITE'S reason for this contract. ADAMS stated that FITE had to have a more professional contract with deliverables. There was discussion about the issues and the timeline of events. It was noted that EDSIG did request to operate under the current contract for 2015. This would provide an appropriate amount of time for the EDSIG Board to review the changes and implications, since they were extremely different from previous contracts. FITE rejected this option; therefore, the EDSIG Board determined there was no way to move forward if FITE would not allow time to negotiate an agreeable new contract.

JETTON noted that FITE and EDSIG missed deadlines in the current (2014) contract.

WAGUESPACK presented a timeline related to the history of the groups and conferences, etc.

There was additional discussion of the issue. The members supported the decision of the Board.

WAGUESPACK asked if he could make a non-binding request of membership to see if they support a independent conference.

The question was posted – "does the board support moving forward". 1 member disagreed and 2 were undecided.

The meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.