ACUBE Steering Committee Minutes  
First Fall Meeting  
Thursday, October 11, 2001

Location: Room 304, BHS, University of Nebraska, Kearney  
Time: 9:35 p.m.  

I. Called to order by President Davis

II. Announcements
   Local Arrangements updates  
   Editorial Board needs to replace four retiring members

III. Approval of Agenda
   Motion to approve agenda and send to Bioscene m/s/a

IV. Report of Officers of Standing Committees
   A. Executive Secretary. Presley Martin.
      ACUBE has about $9500 in its bank account. A substantial portion of this is the Carlock fund and is not available for expenses. Pres warned the steering committee that the organization is NOT meeting its expenses.
      Re: 2000 meeting at ISU. All monies from registration were used to pay for the costs of the meeting. According to custom, no accounting report was expected or rendered
      Motion: The Steering Committee asks the Executive Secretary to request a written expense accounting from local arrangements by December first following the meeting. m/s/a
      Membership shows 390 people on the rolls, but only 186 have paid to date. The following plan was agreed upon: An addition letter will be sent in November as a dues notice and with a notice of intent to implement the plan agreed upon at the Feb. 3, 2001 Steering Committee meeting. To quote from those minutes
         • The scheduling of dues collection was discussed and the following was agreed upon:
          • Do not try to collect past dues
          • The dues year is the calendar year.
          • Any dues paid at the annual meeting is for the upcoming year
          • Dues notices will go out before and after the annual meeting, however, a special dues notice for the current year (2001) will be sent out by the executive secretary this spring.
          • If dues are not paid by 2/15 then the member will no longer receive Bioscene
          • As soon as dues are paid, the member’s subscription to Bioscene will again commence. No back issues will be provided as this is not feasible and the issues are on line within a few months of publication.
      Executive secretary’s report approved: m/s/a
   
   B. Membership. Tom Davis
      There was not much increase in membership this year.
      This spring, another attempt will be made to get a link to ACUBE put on the McGraw-Hill website.
      The new email newsletter was initiated. Not a single member has requested that their name be removed.
      Tom would like to step down as Membership chair.

   C. Nominations. Lynn Gillie
      The email newsletter was a help in getting names for nominees.
      Nominees: President: Margaret Waterman, Marc Roy

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The election process will be as follows: Call for nominations from the floor at the first business meeting. Vitae of candidates posted at social Friday evening. Candidates make mini speeches before dinner. Ballots will be given to members. Vote before dinner. During program, ballots will be counted, results announced after the program.

D. Honorary Life Membership and Carlock Awards

No nominations for Carlock
The Honorary Life award will be presented to the selected member at the 2002 meeting.

E. Web Committee - Buzz Hoagland

The web committee has been changed to a standing committee of the organization called the “Internet Committee.” Since this is a constitutional change, then the membership needs to vote. The change will be presented, discussed and voted upon at the first business meeting tomorrow.

Current membership of the committee is Hoagland, Karen Klyczek, Ethel Stanley, Tim Mulkey, Bill Brett. The membership and mechanism for reporting to the steering committee need to be finalized.

F. Historian - Ed Kos.

Work on the ACUBE history is ongoing.

G. Resolutions

Buzz Hoagland agreed to do the honors this year. Steve Brewer will assist.

V. 2002 Program Planning – Malcolm Levin reporting on his correspondence with Arbour Cherif

Dates: September 12-14 2002
Potential theme: Visualizing and Communicating Environmental Solutions
Has a letter of agreement
  Registration approximately $85
  Rooms approximately $110-150/ double
  Banquet will be at the Congress Hotel.
Lots of great field trip locations.
Program Chair: Bob Wallace

VI. Old Business

A. Future meetings
2003 Truman
2004 Wabash
2005 Westfield
2006 Cape Girardeau

B. Logo – Tom Davis. No progress.
  Malcolm’s daughter does graphics and he will discuss with her.

C. Email Newsletter
  Sent in May, Sept. and January. Pres will send the updated email list.

D. Tax exempt status
  ACUBE is now set up at Hamline. AIBS consultant never got back to Pres, nothing has been done about the paperwork

VII. New Business.

There are many extra copies of the booklet “Evolution and the Fossil Record” and we will try to sell them for $4 each at next meeting.

Adjourn 10:35 p.m. p.m.
First Business Meeting
Friday October 12, 2001

Place: Cedar Room, Nebraskan Student Union
Time: 12:55
Called to order by President Tom Davis

I. Announcements
   a. Dues can be paid at the registration desk. These are for calendar year 2002.
   b. Please propose themes for future meeting
   c. Next year’s meeting is in Chicago at 600 Michigan Ave South.
   d. Future meeting sites
   e. Please consider writing up your presentations as Bioscene articles.
   f. There is a nice list of web links on teaching evolution available at the registration desk
   g. The mobile environmental lab in the parking lot is open for tours
   h. Call for people to consider serving on the Bioscene editorial board.

II. Nominations - Lynn Gillie
    Nominees announced.
    Nominations from the floor requested.
    Kathleen Marr for secretary.
    Nominations closed.
    Voting procedure announced.

III. Constitutional Change: Creation of standing committee “Internet Committee” Buzz Hoagland
    a. Buzz will chair during the “transmogrification” from ad hoc web committee to formal committee
    Discussed by membership

IV. Resolutions – Buzz Hoagland
    a. Host resolution read
    b. Call for other resolutions (none suggested)

V. Luncheon Program
    c. Speaker Leon Higley “BRAINS VS BUGS"

Adjourn 2:10 pm.

Second Business Meeting
Friday October 12, 2001

Place: Cedar Room, Nebraskan Student Union
Time: 7:20 pm
Called to order by President Tom Davis

I. Elections
   a. Candidates who were present gave 2 minute speeches
   b. Voting
   c. Outcome: President Elect: Margaret Waterman
      Secretary: Kathy Marr
      Steering Committee: Bob Wallace, Janet Cooper

II. Announcements
   a. Theme for upcoming meeting
   b. 2002 meeting is ONE MONTH EARLIER than usual
   c. Call for presentations
III. Program: Kenneth Nickerson “Quorum Sensing”

Adjourn 9 pm.

Third Business Meeting
Saturday October 13, 2001

Place: Cedar Room, Nebraskan Student Union
Time: 11:35 am
Called to order by President Tom Davis

I. Announcements
   a. Field trip this afternoon
   b. Call for abstracts for 2002 meeting – Bob Wallace
   c. Dates for next year 9/14-16/02

II. Resolutions – Buzz Hoagland
   a. Host resolution thanking local organizers, school officials and program chair
Motion to accept: M/S/A

III. Executive Secretary Report – Pres Martin
   a. $9588 in assets, $7474 in income, $12,060 in expenses. This trend is a problem
   b. 392 members on rolls, only about 190 paid dues for 2001. Starting in Jan. 2002, only those who have paid their dues will receive Bioscene.

IV. Bioscene - Ethel Stanley
   a. Delays in publication of Bioscene occur when the steering committee members fail to submit required information in a timely manner. The editors have changed the policy and will go to press even if the required data is missing.
   b. Have about 20 articles in various stages of editorial review.
   c. Bioscene on the web receives about 10,000 hits a week. Bioscene is indexed in ERIC and has citations to Bioscene articles which have been appearing in bibliographies. All of these are good signs.
   d. Bioscene is the only journal to focus exclusively on college biology teaching.
   e. The increase from 3 to 4 issues a year will be continued. The $5 raise in dues was approved by the membership last year to support this.
   f. Cover art is needed!

V. Outgoing President’s Remarks – Tom Davis
   Where we have been in the last five years. Perception of an increasing need for an organization that focuses exclusively on college biology teaching.

VI. Incoming President’s Remarks – Malcolm Levin
   Increasing membership, recruiting lapsed members, increasing ACUBE in the professional public eye, increasing sharing of teaching ideas.

Adjourn 12:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret A. Waterman
Secretary 1997-2001