

NEBRASKA EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY ASSOCIATION

NETA Board Meeting Minutes

April 22, 2015

Hilton Omaha, Ballroom D, Omaha, Nebraska

The 2015 NETA spring board meeting was held Wednesday, April 22, 2015, at the Hilton Omaha, Ballroom D, Omaha, Nebraska. John Worsham provided live music during the pre-meeting lunch.

NETA Board Members Present: Josh Allen, Craig Badura, Lynn Behounek, Lucas Bingham, Heather Callihan, Jackie Ediger, Jason Everett, Ann Feldmann, Bob Goeman, Lynne Herr, Matthew Lee, Darci Lindgren, Rich Molettiere, Julie Moore, Eliu Paopao, Kristina Peters, Gregg Robke, Tom Rolfes, Tina Sauser, Jason Schmidt, Kent Steen, Angie Wassenmiller, Patty Wolfe, Evi Wusk, Nick Ziegler.

Gregg Robke called the meeting to order at 12:39 p.m. He recognized Susan Larson, from ISTE, as well as Justine from CenturyLink in attendance. All board members introduced themselves.

Minutes from the 2015 winter meeting were reviewed. Jason Schmidt made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, with a second by Jackie Ediger. A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Minutes from the February 2015 online meeting pertaining to the Fall Ed Tech Conference were reviewed. Nick Ziegler made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, with a second by Jason Schmidt. A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Rich Molettiere presented the **Treasurer's Report**. Several documents were shared with the board. Rich explained noted report items. Rearrangement of some of the headings will make reports easier to read. During a meeting with NETA's financial advisor, Rich was advised that the organization was 'healthy' and should reevaluate investing some of the cash on hand after this conference. Jason Everett made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented, with a second by Nick Ziegler. A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Gregg Robke presented the **President's Report**. Newly elected Ann Feldman board member was recognized, along with president elect Jackie Ediger and re-elected treasurer Rich Molettiere. Congratulations to board members Craig Badura, Patty Wolfe, and Nick Ziegler for their re-elections. Jason Everett was thanked for his service and will be missed. Brief conference updates were shared. The board was prepared for Thursday's business meeting and Friday's visit from the Governor during the opening sessions.

Josh Allen presented his **President-Elect Report**. Due to CenturyLink winners being announced Thursday morning, plaques for educator and leader of the year will be presented during Wednesday night's dinner. There will be no prize drawings after keynotes, and post conference prizes will be given at 3:30 in Ballroom A. General attendance data will be gathered at exhibitor area entry, but no personal data will be shared with vendors. The information booth is in the pre-function area in front of the grand ballroom, and will house noon drawing boxes as well as volunteer T-shirts.

Jason Everett presented the **Past President** Report. The duty matrix was handed out. Areas where more help was needed were detailed, and volunteers filled those spots. Ask Me questions were shared with board so they can be prepared for possible questions during conference. Volunteer Spot was used to help organize volunteer duties.

Tom Rolfes, **Executive Liaison**, gave more duty matrix explanation. Details for makerspace setup was shared. Tom also reported a large piece of Ed-Tech legislation is being presented in Washington.

Lynn Behounek presented the **Site Coordinator** Report. Board breakfast, snack, and lunch details were shared. Board meetings during and after conference are scheduled for room 212. All board members who are staying overnight are housed in the Hilton Omaha. All board members need to stay after conference to help with cleanup and for a brief debriefing meeting.

Bob Goeman and Eliu Paopao presented the **Exhibitor Coordinator** report. Break out room projectors are provided by Epson. Audio will be provided by J&S. Wireless is all Cisco – and has been improved for this conference. Three SSID's and passwords were shared with NETA board. Hard wired internet connections are available for all presenters, and is separate from wireless pipe. Currently 104 vendors are filling 127 booth spaces. Vendor reception area is in the back corner of Hall A.

Lynne Herr presented the **Contest Coordinator** report. Winners will be recognized on Friday before keynote. Simply stand when announced. Pictures can be taken at the information booth before the session starts. **ISTE Advocacy** Network booth will be in Hall A with the vendors. Board members need to be present as listed on the duty matrix.

Lucas Bingham presented the **Web Coordinator** Report. Handouts from sessions need to be uploaded to Oregon's website. The link was sent to all presenters to upload their own handouts. Sched will link to the session entries automatically if available.

Julie Moore presented the **Executive Director** Report. Board members were reminded to update the Board Contact List. NETA is planning a joint reception with other Midwestern states at ISTE. It will include a device bar hosted by Microsoft. Spring NETA Pre-conference registrations were detailed by job position, with almost 50% of attendees being classroom teachers. Accident procedures for CenturyLink were shared. She request board member assistance during closing conference giveaways to get NETA free registration information. The Conference Evaluation link was shared.

The board then broke into **Executive Committee** Groups for a 10 minute discussion. Upon return to the full board they reported as follows.

Committee Reports and motions:

Finance Committee – Rich Molettiere reported one request for submittal. The contest committee requested a premier plan, an online tool for submitting contest entries. Darci Lindgren made a motion to approve \$600 to fund an online tool for submitting contest entries, with a second by Jason Everett. A voice vote was taken and the motion carried

Governance Committee – had no business to report

Contest Committee – Lynne Herr reported the newly funded tool will be used to allow for online submittal of contest entries.

Conference Committee reports:

The **PR/Marketing** committee reported the conference game is ready to go – find your NETA match.

Logistics Committee reported they are meeting regularly – and are ready for the conference.

Programming Committee is ready to go.

Fall Conference committee reported there will be pre-conference workshops only on Wednesday, October 7. Joe Mazza will probably be the keynote for Thursday's conference. NETA fall board meeting is tentatively set for Friday, October, 9 in Kearney.

There was no **Unfinished Business** to report.

In **New Business**, Josh Allen moved to go into executive session at 2:19. Nick Ziegler seconded. Josh Allen moved to exit executive session at 2:23, with a motion by Nick Ziegler.

Nick Ziegler made a motion to approve Evi Wusk's resignation, with a second by Josh Allen. A voice vote was taken and the motion carried. The NETA board wished Evi luck in her new job. As next in line from winter election voting, Stephanie Dannehl will be serving the rest of Evi Wusk's board of directors term.

Josh Allen made a motion to adjourn the meeting with a second by Jason Schmidt. A voice vote was taken and the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:29 p.m. on April 22, 2015.

Submitted by: Darci Lindgren, Secretary, NETA Board of Directors