

AAPT Meeting of Members Minutes
Houston, TX
Sunday, January 13, 2019
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1. Gordon Ramsey called the meeting to order at 8:37 PM.
2. The meeting agenda was approved unanimously. The 2018 Meeting of Members minutes also were approved by unanimous consent.
3. Wolfgang Christian gave the Secretary's report. He announced the results of the fall 2018 Board of Directors Election. Members elected are: Jan Mader (Vice President), Blane Baker (Secretary), Tom O'Kuma (Treasurer), and Gabe Spalding (Four Year at Large Representative). Christian also informed the membership of the 2019 Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee consists of Sarah Johnson, Dwain Desbien, Marla Jane Glover, Paul Williams, and Steve Maier. The Electronics Publications Review is ongoing and is expected to be completed by summer 2019. AAPT is in the process of seeking a publisher for our books program. Christian also reminded members to submit nominations for AAPT awards.
4. Dyan Jones provided the Chair of Section Representatives report. Section representatives are focusing on discussions of how to support sections, raise the profile of AAPT, and offer certain benefits to members.
5. Tom O'Kuma presented an operations budget summary. A small deficit is expected for 2018. Investments were down by about 6% in 2018. The budget for 2019 was approved by the board.
6. Lila Adair gave the Meetings Committee report. She mentioned their primary responsibility is to find locations for future meetings. Presently, we are on a three-year rotation cycle to ensure that meetings are held in various geographic regions of the US. The schedule of upcoming meetings includes: SM2019 Provo, UT; WM2020 Orlando, FL; SM2020 Grand Rapids, MI; WM2021 Portland, OR; SM2021 Washington, DC.
7. Beth Cunningham gave the Executive Officer report. Cunningham thanked the entire AAPT staff for their significant contributions, and AAPT members applauded. One of the areas of concern for professional societies is declining membership. The largest drop for AAPT is among high school teachers. Please encourage high school teachers to join AAPT and retain their membership. Several grants have been received including one for our Master Teacher Fellows. In addition, we now offer graduate credit for AAPT professional development offerings through Mercyhurst University. We are continuing to improve and enhance our Event Participation Code of Conduct (COC). One COC incident was reported recently with no action necessary.

Cunningham expressed her appreciation to all members for their efforts and support. She also mentioned that we have a great reputation among STEM professional societies.

8. Ramsey presented the President's report. Highlights included revisiting the Strategic Plan and charting a course for the future of AAPT. A Development Task Force was established to set priorities and strategies. AAPT also sent two groups to participate in Congressional visits. The President also outlined multiple ways for members to get involved in the activities of AAPT and expressed appreciation to everyone associated with AAPT for a very productive year.

There was no new business.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 PM.