

(Minutes DRAFT)

## **AAPT Meeting of Members**

**San Diego CA**

**Sunday, January 7, 2018**

**8:30 - 10:00 PM**

**Reports By:** George Amann, President; Wolfgang Christian, Secretary; Dyan Jones, Chair Section Representatives; Tom O’Kuma, Treasurer; Lila Adair, Chair Meetings Committee; Beth Cunningham, Executive Officer

**1. Call to Order and Welcome (Amann)**

Bailey called the meeting to order at 9:00 PM EDT.

**2. Agenda (Amann)**

The Agenda was approved unanimously by voice vote.

**3. Minutes (Amann)**

The 2017 Meeting of Members minutes were approved unanimously by voice vote.

**4. Secretary Report (Christian)**

Christian announced the results of the 2017 National Election and the 2018 Nominating Committee.

- 2017 National Election Results
  - for Vice-President: Chandralekha Singh
  - for Treasurer: R. Steven Turley
  - for TYC Member-at-Large: Arlisa Richardson
  
- Announcement of 2018 Nominating Committee
  - Sam Sampere (Chair)
  - Sissi Li
  - Steve Henning
  - Sarah Johnston
  - Nathan Quarderer

Christian reported that Steve Turley is no longer able to serve as AAPT Treasurer because he has accepted a position at the National Science Foundation. Thus, the Board of Directors has appointed Tom O’Kuma to fill the vacant position until the 2018 National Election.

## **5. Section Rep Report (Jones)**

Jones reported that the AAPT currently has 47 active sections in the US, Canada and Mexico and that she is seeking ideas for how to better involve Sections in National Meetings. She is also encouraging collaborations between Sections, especially between thriving and struggling sections.

## **6. Treasurer Report (O’Kuma)**

O’Kuma summarized the Association’s finances. He reported that the Association is in good financial health, that as of November 2017. In November we had a \$5K deficit but he expects that AAPT will end the year with a \$20-50K surplus in the operating budget. He stated that long term reserves have increased by 14%.

O’Kuma projected an increase in revenue for 2018 resulting in a small surplus if we control expenses.

## **7. Meetings Committee Report (Adair)**

Adair presented the work of the Meetings Committee and emphasized the importance of working closely with Section Reps to find good meeting sites.

Adair reported that the following National Meetings sites are confirmed:

- SM18 Washington DC
- WM19 Houston TX
- SM 19 Provo UT
- WM 20 Orlando FL
- SM20 Grand Rapids MI

Adair described the criterion used to select meeting sites.

## **8. Executive Officer Report (Cunningham)**

Cunningham announced the following new Executive Office hires:

- Kelsey Sheridan, Marketing Coordinator
- Leticia Marquez, Registration and Logistic Coordinator
- Justine Boeker, Assistant to K12 Program Manager

Cunningham presented a membership update and noted that membership continues to decline and that the majority of this decline is in HS membership. She stated that although the AAPT professional staff has been developing programs to enhance the value of AAPT membership, members telling colleagues about the value of AAPT is our most effective recruiting program.

Cunningham reviewed Executive Office successes in 2017 including the development and implementation of the AAPT Event Participation Code of Conduct and outlined new initiatives for 2018.

Cunningham presented a tribute to John Layman, past AAPT President, Secretary, and Archivist, who passed away on December 30, 2017. She then thanked the members for their support of AAPT and of the physics education community.

**9. President Report (Amann)**

Amann warmly thanked Steve Turley for his many years of service to AAPT and presented him with a certificate of appreciation.

Amann showed a list of Area Committees and asked the members to consider volunteering for committee service or for running for a position on the Board. Amann introduced the current Board of Directors and Journal Editors and described their contributions to the Association. He singled out the excellent work of Cunningham and Hilborn as Executive Officer and Associate Executive Officer.

Amann thanked the Members for their help and support and stated that it was a privilege being AAPT President. The members warmly applauded his service.

**10. Adjournment (Amann)**

Motion to adjourn passed unanimously at 9:35 PM EDT.

Respectfully submitted,  
Wolfgang Christian, Secretary