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CUAHSI Board Meeting Minutes

Oct. 19, 2022

Roll Call

10 members are present, 9 needed for quorum. “X” indicates present

Term expires 12/31/2022

- X Aditi Bhaskar, Colorado State University
- X Anne Jefferson, Kent State University
- X Anne Nolin, University of Nevada-Reno
- X Ashok Mishra, Clemson University
- X Jay Zarnetske, Michigan State University

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- Jesus Gomez-Velez, Vanderbilt University (**resigned from Board**)
- X Safeeq Khan, Univ. of California, Merced
- X Sarah Ledford, Georgia State University
- Margaret Zimmer, Univ. of California, Santa Cruz

Term expires 12/31/2024

- X Holly Barnard, Univ. of Colorado - Boulder
- X Alejandro Flores, Boise State University
- Gretchen Miller, Texas A&M (**resigned from Board**)
- G.H. Crystal Ng, Univ. of Minnesota
- X Steven Loheide, Univ. of Wisconsin - Madison
- Gigi Richard, Fort Lewis College (**resigned from Board**)

Officers: (terms expire January 31, 2023)

- Troy Gilmore, University of Nebraska (Treasurer)
- Adam Ward, Oregon State University (Secretary)

CUAHSI Staff Present:

- X Jerad Bales

Minutes prepared by Troy Gilmore

Wednesday, 19-Oct-2022

16:00 EDT Call to Order

1. Report from Executive Director
 - a. Strategic planning coming along; listening session in November
 - i. Sent out invitations, maybe a dozen signed up per session at this point
 - b. Biennial planning is coming along; need to consider this a full-board effort
 - i. Keynotes identified
 - ii. Need speakers for individual sessions
 - iii. Session conveners, who will invite session speakers, need to be identified
 - c. CIRO Meeting attended by Jerad, Martin, Tony, and Kristin
 - i. Vast majority of funds seem to be staying in Alabama
 - ii. New call for white papers, only named CIROH PIs can be submitted
 1. CUAHSI will submit several related to Hydroshare, community science, resilience
 - d. CZ project having reverse site visits from NSF in January for the Hub.
 - e. Reverse site visit anticipated for CUAHSI grant management, probably in May
 - f. ICWR8 conference & workshop has involvement from CUAHSI
 - g. Tony leading hydrology research focus group for CSDMS, also planning for CIROH user meeting this spring
 - h. Data migration ongoing for HIS modernization, to be completed in November
 - i. Last minute items:
 - i. Xylem Reservoir Center (see recent e-mail) is an option; Jerad would like CUAHSI to be an affiliate; can board act on this today, or wait a month?
 1. Discussion:
 - a. Any urgency to act now? No, not a problem to wait a month.
 - b. Benefits: associations with other affiliates + free space for meetings.
 - ii. Hydroshare development ongoing; they want to engage informatics standing committee for post-project governance. Jerad addressed them the Standing Committee the last time they met, sensed limited interest?
 - iii. Jan board meeting – do we want any DEI engagement? Could consider inclusive leadership and/or inclusive meetings. This training would take 3 hours.
 - iv. Pending membership applications: Santa Clara Univ and international CISR institute
 1. **Chair asked for motions on acting now on these applications; Bhaskar moved to confirm; Ledford seconded; no votes *against* the two pending applications; confirmed**
2. Chair report
 - a. Discussion of CUAHSI at AGU Fall Meeting; how does CUAHSI engage in Hydrology Section Business Meeting? Do we want to push for a place on the stage at this meeting?
 - i. Sarah: Will Jordan be there? Jerad: No.
 - ii. Lejo wondering if feedback for strategic planning could be encouraged in this forum? Anne agrees, suggests QR code and computer at booth to make it easy for people to engage.
 - iii. Sarah: can also advertise biennial.
 - iv. Discussion about history of sponsorship of event, recent conversations, etc., relatively lukewarm reception

- v. Holly points out that presence at AGU Hydrology meeting might get the message across that CUAHSI is for everyone.
 - vi. Lejo concludes that he will reach out to AGU to see if he can briefly recognize Jerad, mention CUAHSI if for everybody, and that we are undertaking a strategic plan and hope for broad input.
3. Report on Biennial planning (Anne Nolin)
- a. Good progress; tasked most recently with putting together theme description (in draft form): “Discovering New Horizons in Water Science
The broad field of Water Science is making important strides in addressing critical environmental and societal challenges in the face of growing stressors. As the connector among essentially all key systems on our planet, Water Science continues to reshape and evolve in its own unique way to address disciplinary and interdisciplinary challenges. The 2023 CUAHSI Biennial Meeting will focus on new horizons in Water Science that include: new ways of doing collaborative research, new ways of looking at things, new knowledge frameworks, new ways of learning, new tools, and new metrics of success. Please join us in sharing your discoveries and inspirations in Water Science.”
 - b. Anne Jefferson: several theme options originally mentioned community, wondering if that can be brought into this description? Anne Nolin: yes.
 - c. Anne Nolin: we will clean this up and distribute to the board.
 - d. Safeeq Khan reached out to John Knowles to be involved, who is excited to get involved in going over keynotes, invited speakers, etc.
 - e. Anne Nolin wondering how board would like updates, and how often? Currently meeting every two weeks. Safeeq comments it would be good to share meeting notes to have help nominating session chairs, etc. Anne Nolin suggests rather sharing running notes on progress (reminder + Google Doc). Lejo suggests link to doc in meeting agenda.
 - f. Lejo suggests action item for whole board: now that you’ve seen flavor of biennial, consider sharing that info and linking with that person to see about them being involved as, e.g., session chair.
 - g. Sarah Ledford notes that training on inclusive meetings (e.g., hybrid conference) that Jerad mentioned in Director’s Report could be relevant to planning future biennial meetings.
4. “Donate Now” button on CUAHSI website:
- a. No technical issues with implementing this.
 - b. Board input needed on where such money would go?
 - i. For example, recent board priority has been PUIs; would we want to focus on supplementing their membership dues?
 - ii. Sarah Ledford mentions that ExCom has discussed this item
 - iii. Jay Zarnetske notes fiduciary responsibilities of board, thus, this is a board matter
 - 1. Options include annual solicitation of ideas to fund; idea is to not create large workload around this
 - 2. Anne Jefferson: framed more as a campaign, this alleviates the impression that CUAHSI is in dire need of money
 - 3. Safeeq Khan mentions support for PUI and/or underfunded students (some discussion about whether there could be conflict of interest if board member is

from PUI; Jay notes that dues would have been paid already in order ka PUI Rep to be a Board member

4. Steve Loheide wondering what kind of gifts are anticipated? If approached with a very sizable gift, then the purpose might be set by the donor, with significant discussion/engagement of the board. For smaller amounts, maybe board sets priorities for director/staff to use funds, without micromanaging.
 5. Sarah notes the origins of conversation were more on the order of “maybe if we can raise \$1,000/year for PUI membership, then we can fund one PUI/year”.
 6. Anne Jefferson mentions support for Steve’s approach of the board just identifying priorities.
 7. Lejo suggest more discussion of this in ExCom. Sarah request straw poll to gauge enthusiasm for ExCom continuing discussion of this.
 8. Steve inquires about any major accounting issue and Sarah says no issues.
 9. Anne suggests 1-pager to lay this out in advance of next meeting.
 10. Sarah suggests straw poll to see who wants to see such a document. Aditi mentions that it seems like someone has approached looking to donate.
- c. Lejo asks for emails regarding awards. Specifically Safeeq. Otherwise tabled this discussion.
 - d. Member meeting is on. December 6, 2:00 - 3:00 pm ET
5. Flores opened the floor to any other business. Hearing none, he adjourned the meeting.

17:02 EDT Adjourned