

Agenda
PA-TSA BOD Meeting
July 14, 2008
Bucknell University

Board of Directors Meeting

1. Call to Order: 10:45 am

Attendance: Bud Gotwald, Jeff Seamans, Chris Miller (technology), Jon Bratten (executive director), Dennis Gold, Lauren Lapinski (state conference co-director), Wayne McConahy (board member at large), Emil Stenger (region 7), Ken Raspen (region 9), Mike Flowers (region 3), Bob Rudolph, Ryan Ferry, Brandt Hutzel (member at large), Chris Weaver (region 5), Dennis Gold, Rick Penepacker, Shawn Lydon (region 1), Bekky Morasco, Tim Hess (region 2), Craig Jarrett.

Approval of the minutes of April 12, 2008 (on website) – Bud Gotwald, second (Chris Weaver). *Motion approved*

2. Treasurers Report – Jeff Seamans (Submitted separately)

Motion to accept the Treasurers report – *Motion approved*

Motion to recess for lunch: 12:00 noon

Meeting resumed: 1:00 pm

***Introduction and job descriptions of people attending.

3. State Conference Update – Lauren Lapinski

HIGHLIGHTS: PA-RC vehicle tasks - handled by Jon Bratten, live video streaming for the conference, Brenda Roth will be on-site coordinator, alumni social-ask seniors to leave business meeting to attend, certificate of participation for all who attend the state conference, update the rules for printing for Digital Video, NO event STICKERS for this upcoming year, hotel cancellation policy, Seven Springs will no longer accept our registration fee so schools will need to write 2 checks (one for hotel, one for PA-TSA). Guests will be free but all advisors and chaperones must pay a \$50 registration fee. Hotel internet access: advisors and students should be in competitions and a variety of problem arise from allowing kids to have unfiltered internet access. Decision was made to not pursue internet access for the conference.

PA-HS events eliminated: of PA-Digital Video (replaced by *On Demand* at National level), PA-Safety Illustration Hand Drawn.
Motion: Chris Miller- I move to remove PA-Safety Illustration Hand Drawn from the HS and MS competitive events list (seconded: Hutzel) *Approved*

Motion: Chris Miller- I move to remove PA-Black and White in the 2009-10 year from MS competitive events list (seconded: Hess) *Approved*

Motion: Wayne McConahy- I move to remove PA-Digital Video at the high school level but continue to be offered at the MS level (seconded: Ferry) *Motion Approved*

Motion: Emil Stenger: I move to reduce Delta Dart's maximum level of entries from 5 entries to 3 (seconded: Hutzel) *Motion fails*
Shawn Lydon: use this event to engage kids while on-site

Motion: Dennis Gold: (seconded: Weaver) I move that the Bio-Medical Essay be made into an Middle School and High School event listing. *Approved*

Amended: Chris Miller (seconded: Rudolph): The Bio-Medical Essay event must follow the Pa-TSA event criteria. *Approved*

Motion: Lauren Lapinski: I move that we adopt the new high school events that were approved by TSA. (seconded: Miller) *Approved*

Lauren reviewed the 2007-08 budget notes including special events, the purchase of finalist pins and stipend costs. Discrepancy of PDE funds... Dennis noticed the amount was incorrect on Lauren's proposed budget (\$5500). The amount is correct on the Treasurer's budget but must be accurately disclosed on the conference budget also.

Motion: Rick Penepacker: I move that we approve the state conference budget as amended. (seconded: Flowers) *Approved*

Lauren reviewed the proposed State Confernece 2008-09 budget.
The issue addressed by Lauren was students wearing a Pa-TSA collared shirt for events. The poor economic climate would be a

problem for many students to be able to purchase a shirt for competition. The polo shirt would increase the registration cost. Dennis, Wayne and Mike F. will look into costs from a variety of vendors.

Wayne addressed the need to look into an insurance update to cover student leadership conferences and the state conference.

4. State Board of Director's Report: Bud Gotwald

Bud asked to review the proposed Board of Directors 2008-09 budget.

Chris Miller discussed the updates of software and the costs involved.

Dennis said the state budgeted item of \$5500 must appear on the Board of Directors budget for the state conference budget, not the Bucknell Leadership budget line. The item has been tabled and will be re-worked to become accurate.

5. State Advisor Report: Dennis Gold

Dennis asked us to look at the three levels of dress code (A,B,C) that allows students to dress for differing conference events. There are discrepancies between state and national dress codes; national is more lax.

6. Regional Coordinators Reports

Region 1, 6 – Shawn Lydon: February 20, 2009 at California University (teacher rep: Vince Kuzniewski)

Region 2 – Tim Hess: February 6, 2009 (snow-2/13), Millersville University

Region 3 – Mike Flowers/Judy Hawthorn: February 21, 2009, Cedar Cliff HS

Region 5 & 9 – 5: Chris Weaver and 9: Ken Raspen February 21, 2009 (snow-2/28) (Tim Brockman-regional rep), Strayer Middle School

Region 7 - Emil Stenger: February 28, 2009 @ Selinsgrove Area HS

Region 8 – Ron Shealer/Jeff Seamans: (Greg Wilson-rep) February 28, 2009

7. Committee Reports

Technology Committee

- a. Chris met with Jared Bitting from TEAP about the format of the two websites and responsibilities of people in the organizations.
- b. Regional coordinators can now update all regional contact information and all generic info from your region.
- c. Ryan Ferry: Discussion of website, feedback on layout proposal. The web page has been reformatted with better categories. He will put all of the stuff on the PDE website and add it into the PATSA site so that all info is no more than two clicks away.

Discussion of Communications for Committee and Organization

Motion: Chris Miller - See motion addendum about Electronic Communications. (seconded: Penepacker).

Discussion: Chris Miller: This motion is a call for the website and electronic communication to be more professional and concerned with TSA information not, information that does not pertain to TSA activities. I move that, PA-TSA and TEAP provide for a 'Division of Labor' in regards to electronic communications.

Dennis Gold: Dennis feels responsible for some of the emails that the motion is about but he feels that the information he is disseminating is important for TSA Advisors. TEAP and TSA have decided to collaborate on the information being sent to TEAP membership and TSA Advisors so that the amount of email is decreased.

Jeff asks that the question be called or table the motion. Motion passes with a show of hands (9-6).

8. State Officer Team Report

Chloe, Rachel, Jennifer, Molly, Colin, Will, Danny

Event Feedback: Internet based status reports that would be given back to advisors to share with their membership.

State Forum: A free sharing venue for students to share ideas about events ideas or feedback to help students to do better in events (opinions and perspective from other students).

Communications: mass email from state officers from the advisors to the students. The email would update students about happenings at the state conf. and would provide contact.

Friday Night Activities at States: Got game and dance still good. Raffle winners announced during dance. Sign up sheets for lines the blow up games.

Membership: Make a video for recruiting to give people an overall idea about TSA. Another video would explain events. Each state officers will visit a school that does not have a chapter to 'spread the word'.

PA-POST: four issues again: Fall, Winter, Spring and Summer
Nationals Update: Rachel has spoken with the Delaware officers and will try to do something with the Delaware students

Got Game and Guitar Hero Tournaments at States

Raffle and Pie in the Face Contests: to get more students to buy more tickets, prizes would also be better. All prizes from tournaments will be donated to Rehanna Lydon as well as Relay for Life profits.

Opening Ceremonies: Video for each officer. The video would be like the one used by the national officer team this past year.

The Officer Team will participate in the Fall Leadership Workshop weekend at Mr. Wayne McConahy's cabin in October.

Recess @ 4:45 until @ 6:10 pm

9. Publications Committee

Rick Penepacker compiled the PA-TSA Handbook to reflect updated job descriptions, a PA-TSA Chapter Advisor Kit and the PA-TSA competitive events.

10. TSA Strategic Plan

Motion: Chris Miller – I move that Pa-TSA adopt the Strategic Plan as presented for review. (seconded: Bratton) *Approved*

Discussion: The Planning Committee Trust that could be a part of us. The Planning Comm. Trust could be the committee that eventually operates the organization.

Bill Bertrand's was denoted as the Technology Education Advisor/Division of Curriculum and Instruction the PA-TSA By Laws.

11. Alumni Report: Ryan Ferry

Ryan submitted the Bylaws of PA-TSA Alumni Association for discussion.

12. Scholarship Report: Craig Jarrett

a. A thank you note was received from Kelly Brossman (a scholarship winner) from PSU.

b. Applications for scholarships are low. How can we increase applicant's?

Amendment to Motion: Chris Miller – I move to amend the 2009 State Conference Budget (seconded: Lydon) *Approved*

Motion: Lauren Lapinski - I move to approve the Board of Directors budget (seconded: Ferry) Concern noted by Jeff Seamans as to the cost of the shirts and whether that cost is too excessive for our budget. *Approved*

New Business

Motion: Ryan Ferry – I move to adopt the proposal for a PATSA Inspiration Award designed by Dan Zollman– (second: Bekky Morasco) *Approved*

A plaque will be given at the PATSA State Conference, a certificate at the regional conference. For the 2009 school year the award will be given only at the State Conference.

13. Judging: Judy Hawthorn – Discrepancies in judging occur perhaps because the judges don't necessarily understand the points earned for specific parts of the event.

14. STEM Advisory Council: Dennis Gold – STEM training is moving quickly in PA. PA-TSA should denote a person or group to understand state initiatives, regulations or developments in STEM and promote how TSA is developing STEM related activities. Jeff Seamans, Judy Hawthorn, Dennis Gold and Brandt Hutzel will attend the September TEAP Board Meeting to communicate to the TEAP Board about the new high school guidelines and the STEM related

15. Jeff Seamans: **ACT 48:** The Act 48 form should read, "Professional development in STEM related activities"

Recess @ 8:00 pm until July 15, 2008, 9am

July 15, 2008

8:30 am – sidebar meeting to develop the criteria for the PA-TSA Inspiration Award. Included in minutes (PATSA Inspiration Award).

9:10 am – resume Old Business

Jeff Seamans – TSA needs to decide how to make the change in the way money is handled at the conference since the hotel is now not handling all of them money at the time of check-in. It will reflect the way the treasurer's report is constructed. All schools **MUST** bring a check for the hotel and then another one for TSA to cover registration and materials.

Back to School mailing/flyer will be formed and information will include:

Regional conferences dates, new High School guide information, changes in the middle school guide, letter from Bud Gotwald, Bio-med Essay, scholarships, updated/new and revised MS events. Bud will put this into a President's message with a week of this conference.

Motion: Shawn Lydon – (seconded: Hess) Realizing the National TSA cut the CADD events from 4 to 2... and realizing that the other new events may not pull in the numbers of students that the CADD events had, I move that the we run the original 2 CADD events (2D Architectural and Engineering 3D) at the state conference as PA-Only events using the 2008 TSA National rules. *Approved*

Chris Miller/Bekky Morasco: Chris and Bekky have discussed the need for the Officer Team to come earlier at Bucknell or at the Grantville Conference to have more time to discuss the state conference. The students will be assigned to each small break-out group and participate as a viable part of the PATSA planning.

Motion to Adjourn: Bratton, (seconded: Seamans) @ 10:24 am until the November TEAP Meeting.