# ArATE Board Meeting Minutes 9/24/2021

**12:40** President Allison Freed called the meeting to order

#### **Approval of the Minutes from 2020 –** Allison Freed

Ryan Kelly moved, Freddie Bowles seconded, Motion carried

## **Diversity and Inclusion Webinar series –** Allison Freed

Announcement and discussion, \$100 per university or school for 10 people. Beyond 10 people, an additional \$100. \$750 per speaker. Send information to our colleagues and schools in our area. Carol Douglass suggested inviting Special Education teachers in Harding's grant program to come via the Harding U. group registration. Tonja Fillippino has constructed a registration form for the webinar series for Susan to send out again with the webinar programs announcement.

## **ATE Strategic Plan Update** – Freddie Bowles

Freddie will send an ATE document to all board members concerning the updated plans. There is a major concern and effort toward recruiting new members to ATE. Possible restructuring of fees with the possibility of a discount to ArATE or other state members for an incentive. An effort is extended toward K-12 colleagues in schools as well. Ph.D. and Ed.D. candidates also. We can send an invitation to DESE and the ARACTE groups. Suggestions are welcome.

The Summer conference is being restructured to be a weekend event and having a targeted theme or working group goal.

#### Financial Report – Susan Grogan

The balance before adding any conference registration moneys is \$9, 488.37. A detailed report was previously distributed to all board members by email. Tonja Fillippino and Neelie Dobbins agreed to audit the report. A final financial report including conference funds will be forthcoming.

**Additional Nominations for Vice President and Board Member –** In addition to the nomination of Rob Williams, ASU, Shelly Hanna nominated Debra Murphy, ATU. In addition to Carmen Bell for board member Vera Lang-Brown nominated Nita Bohannon, UAPB.

#### Arkansas Travel Award – give a new plaque each year

A motion was made by Ryan Kelly and seconded by Vera Lang-Brown to create a new plaque each year instead of having a travel award physically moving from one university to another each year.

#### 2022 ArATE Conference

Vera Lang-Brown will be president next year and she would like to hold the in-person conference at UA Pine Bluff. If it is needed to be virtual, she will be responsible for it. She was encouraged to use a planning document that Tonja Fillippino will share to help with the conference arrangements.

**2022 ATE Conference,** Chicago, IL, February 11-16, 2022 In-person **2023 ATE Conference,** Jacksonville, FL, March 25 – 29

# Next ArATE Board Meeting will be Friday, April 22, 2022

1:30 Meeting was adjourned