

WBAALAS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 10th, 2023, 3:00- 4:00 PM @ Teams Meeting

- **Roll Call** – Traci W., Ashley R., Dave R., Sakara P., La'Akea S., Emily F.
- **Approval of Meeting Minutes** – July 13th Meeting Minutes Unanimously Approved
- **Treasurer Report (David R.)**
 - 1) **Checking: \$3,411.93**
Recent transactions:

7/21/23 - withdraw of \$1035.00- Annual branch insurance premium
7/25/23 - withdraw of \$1000.00 - Scholarship to National AALAS
8/1/23 - withdraw of \$5000.00 - deposit for D8 Meeting venue (Sheraton Grand Seattle)
 - 2) **Savings: \$11,174.15**
Recent transactions: none (only interest payments)
 - 3) **PayPal balance - \$0**
- **Membership Report (David R.)**
206 individuals (no change since last meeting)
7 institutional (no change since last meeting)
29 commercial (no change since last meeting)
- **Website Report (Christine L.)**
- **Calendar Review (David R. and Sakara P.)**
Will add D8 Meeting to calendar (April 22-24, 2024).
Currently we don't add elections to the calendar, we should consider starting to add things like this to the calendar.
Need to have call for nominations in October with a deadline of mid-October. The deadline will be extended if needed. Dave will put something together in Google Drive to keep track of which positions are up for election.
- **Social Media (Ashley R.)**
Facebook:
24 Posts
33 Active members (reacted, viewed, posted, or commented on posts)
72 Total members

LinkedIn:
50 Connections
9 Profile views

EVENTS

- **2023 Manager's and Technician Roundtables (Melissa R., Dave R.)**
 - Q3 Virtual Manager Roundtable planning
 - Date/time – Aug 17th, 8 RSVPs already
 - Sponsorship/Presentation
 - Sponsored by Innovive
 - Any sponsorships for managers roundtable? The 2023 membership form has sponsorships listed in there. Triumvirate is interested in sponsoring events in the future.

- Q3 Virtual Technician Roundtable planning
 - Date/time
 - Sponsorship/Presentation

- **2023 Summer Picnic**

Location: Golden Gardens

Date: August 12th, 8am-2pm reservation, picnic from 11am-2pm

 - 57 RSVPs:
 - 24 members
 - 22 adult guests
 - 11 children
 - Who will be bringing food & supplies?
 - Traci & Ashley – cooler
 - Ashley – wagon, karaoke speaker, yard games, bags of ice (5-6 bags), raffle tickets and raffle box, tabletop signs
 - Sakara – face paint, bubbles, frisbee, reservation printouts
 - Dave - bin with napkins/utensils, food from Costco
 - Traci and Dave –yard games
 - Grill master?
 - Raffle details
 - General raffle tickets vs NWABR/industry/child specific
 - We will do raffles for specific prizes, Sakara will organize
 - Print up card for NWABR prize?
 - Dave has 3 \$25 gift cards
 - We should have a few gift cards leftover from the trade fair
 - Vendors will likely bring raffle items
 - Reminder email will be sent out on Friday
 - Take photos at the picnic to include in the newsletter

- **2024 D8 Update (Ashley R., Traci W.)**

Location: Sheraton Grand, Seattle

Dates: April 22-24, 2024

 - Looking to fill a couple more Committee Chair/Co-Chair positions:
 - Still looking for Transportation Chair and Poster Co-Chair
 - Currently negotiating AV and Food/Beverage Costs
 - Starting to brainstorm speaker and workshop ideas
 - James Macy (National AALAS), Cindy Pekow (IACUC/International Regulations), Kati Marshall (D8), Dante D'Inda (Zebrafish), Dr. Meldrum (Bigfoot), Helen Diggs (AAALAC), Gennifer Ceasar (Digital Transformation)
 - Possible others: USDA, WA F&W, Zoo, local researchers
 - Refined Handling (UW/SCRI), LAT/ALAT Prep (Kati Marshall), Zebrafish (SCRI)
 - Call for speakers needs to be sent out, Emily will send out to membership.
 - Next meeting: 8/17 @ 10am via Teams

- **Webinars**
 - Location TBD
 - Date TBD; either Q4 or skip this year
 - Which webinar? Allentown or National AALAS webinars
 - Sponsor TBD

NEW ITEMS

OLD ITEMS

- **President-Elect Position**
 - Board nominates Mel to step in for Sakara as President-Elect when she leaves in Oct.
 - Need to find another general Board Member
 - Possible nominee: Devin Margolies (SCRI)

- **Newsletter**
 - Q3 newsletter update
 - Traci will put together an article summary to include in the newsletter
 - 1 tech interview pending

Next meeting
Sept 7th, 3-4pm