

FLORIDA SECTION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 24, 2021
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM EST

I. Call to Order & Roll Call –Byron/Chrissy

2021 Officers:

Byron Burrows – Chair	Joe Brown - Director
Christina Akly – Immediate Past Chair	Kevin Holbrooks – Director
Joe Applegate – Vice-Chair	Susan Kennedy – Director
Christine (Chrissy) Schaub – Secretary	Manitia Moultrie – Director
Liz Foeller – Treasurer	Greg Terry – Director
Kaitlyn Watkins – Membership Director	Veronica Figueroa – Director
Upasna Rai – Education Director	Haofei Yu – Scholarship Chair
VACANT – Website Director	Lynn Robinson – Continuing Ed Chair

*Yellow Highlights=present

II. Old Business:

- a. Approval of February Meeting Minutes-any issues/concerns motion to approval- Joe and Christina to second. Approved.
- b. Website Director prospects-To follow up with Susan when she joins the call. Byron had training just over a year ago. Byron's admin (Kristen) can help out. Does not have to be a board member. SE FL chapter may be willing to learn/training.
 - i. Susan can follow up with Michael can help in the interim to help upload the meeting minutes.
 - ii. Susan will follow up Kurt to see if he can provide a training session.

III. Treasurer Report – Liz- Byron to check in with Liz regarding the treasurer report. Christina needs for annual report.

IV. Annual report- Christina to complete annual report before the end of the month. Bryon available to help if necessary.

V. International A&WMA ACE 2021 – Christina

- a. No confirmation on Keynote yet.
- b. Free Registrations for FDEP- not allowed, considered a gift by legal therefore we will have 5 free registrations. Maybe we could use this to provide to students for registration.
- c. Update on Technical- all chair spots for committees are filled, some vice chair spots available. One session backed out, but brownfield committee session will be the replacement. Registrations going smoothly, a lot of upcoming webinars.
- d. Byron is navigating TECO sponsorship.
- e. Funding- FL section will receive some of the funds.
- f. Scholarships will start soon.

VI. ACE Student Presentations- demo session to start soon.

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- a. ECI- completed with the problem statement- has gone out and there is some interest.
 - i. Have judges- Upasna will follow up if they are short on judges.

VII. Review of Activities

- a. Promote information sharing and grow Florida Section membership – Kaitlyn Watkins
 - i. Will have a more comprehensive update next month.
 - ii. Do you get membership reports? Kaitlyn can download this information and it can be filtered down to chapters.
 - iii. Newsletter for young professional- acknowledge Big Bend Chapter and Kaitlyn will do a write up.
- b. Revenue allocation to support new programs & scholarships – Liz- follow up with Liz next meeting.
- c. Energize Florida Chapters – Tampa Bay, Southeast, Northeast and Big Bend Chapters
 - i. SE- Webinar- April 6. David Reed to discuss OIAI policy. Christina sent to Susan and she will circulate to the FL section.
 - ii. Mandy Gunasekara discussion for policy change discussion, concurrent with AL Section. Chrissy to follow up with on possible concurrent meeting.
 - iii. Environmental Justice- possible discussion moving forward with local/Florida flavor.
 - iv. Big Bend and Coastal Plains merger moving ahead- marking the Big Bend area. Working on marketing on scholarships. Sent for approval. Planning next general meeting in May- virtual.
- d. Promote student involvement – USF, FAMU and UWF update
 - i. Working with one student for a chapter at FAU.
 - ii. USF- slowly navigating the process to starting a chapter. Goal is by the end of year to start up and see what interest we see. UWF- Susan had made some more progress.
- e. Promote YP development (and participation in conference) – Chrissy Schaub/ Kaitlyn
- f. Building the Florida Section Bench Strengths – website updates – Byron

VIII. Chapter Updates

- IX. Other items
- X. Adjourn