

TACFMA Board Meeting
National Power Grid Building, Northboro, MA
January 23, 2005

Board Members Attending: Susan Cormier, Kathy Desjardin, Jamie Donalds, Yvonne Federowicz, Rich Hoffman, Frank Howard, Gary Jacob, Mike Meixsell, Mike Novack, Guy Shepard, Brad Smith, Dave Ugucioni, Rufin Van Bossuyt and Charlotte Zampini.

Board Members Absent: John Emery, Anne Myers and Jim Garland

Guests attending: Gerry Cormier, Marty Jessel

The meeting was called to order at 1:20 PM by Susan Cormier.

Michael Novack moved and Gary Jacob seconded a motion to approve the 2005 Budget as submitted by Anne Myers. The vote was unanimous 13 – 0.

Jamie Donalds was installed as a Board Member.

Jamie Donalds moved and Charlotte Zampini seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2004 Board Meeting as amended. The vote was unanimous 14 – 0.

Discussion followed regarding the \$300 (\$200?) limit imposed by the Board on non-pre-approved expenditures as regards to the Board Members who have Credit Cards.

Susan Cormier discussed the transfer of materials to other Board Members that have been kept by Susan Cormier, since Susan and Gerry will be moving out of state shortly.

Yvonne Federowicz discussed the coordination of databases between our Chapter and the National database as managed by Sarah Fitzsimmons at Penn State. It was agreed that the group that is going to the Science Cabinet meeting in Cincinnati in February would bring up our concerns about the coordination of our database and the national database.

Mike Meixsell moved and Yvonne Federowicz seconded a motion that the Board approve a maximum of \$800 per year; specifically a \$200 individual maximum expenditure to attend National Foundation events as approved by the executive committee, subject to approval by the Board of additional expenditures.

After discussion, a motion was made by Rufin and seconded by Frank Howard to be table the first motion. The vote was unanimous 14 - 0

Discussion was held with regard to the regularity of National sending out renewal notices to members.

Susan will make inquiries to National about achieving regularity.

The Board thanked Susan and Gerry Cormier for their work in establishing and maintaining the Chapter.

Rufin initiated discussion about having an intern for the summer of 2005. Holly Emery has expressed an interest in working with Chestnuts and has already made contact with Charlotte Zampini. Rufin Van Bossuyt and Charlotte Zampini will explore with Holly specifics and report to the Executive Committee for further action.

The next Board Meeting will be on Sunday April 3, 2005

Mike Novack moved and Charlotte Zampini seconded a motion to adjourn at 3:15 PM. The vote was unanimous 14 – 0.