

**KANSAS SCHOLASTIC PRESS ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
MINUTES**

August 2, 2008

The Kansas Scholastic Press Association Executive Board met Saturday, August 2, 2008 at Kedzie Hall at Kansas State University. Those present included President Lisa Crites, Past President Linda Drake, Secretary Jennifer Hanson, John Hudnall, Amy Morgan, Travis Feil, Kim Isbell, Peggy Eiland, and Jessica Bowman.

Call to Order

Lisa called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. New members were welcomed to the board.

Minutes

Linda made a motion to approve the May 2008 minutes. Amy seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Correspondence

none

Executive Director's Report

Financial Report—June 30, 2008 balance: \$4,756.44; total income: \$93,650.53; total expenses: \$95,421.99

Account Balances

CD: \$28,810.35

Endowment: \$48,596.47

Budget—Proposed 2008-09 Budget (see green sheet) John updated the board on several line items including donations, salary, mentor program, and office assistants. Linda made a motion to approve the budget, and Kim seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Endowment—The endowment report has not arrived. John will mail it to board members when it arrives. All reports will be sent to the accountant as soon as the endowment report arrives.

Membership—Membership numbers are holding constant at this point. The deadline to be included in the directory is November 1.

Special Committee Reports

Fall Conference—A concern was raised about presenters at Hays who were willing to talk but not asked to present. Lisa will generate a spreadsheet of presenters to email to Andy. Lisa will also give a preview to the advisers in Areas 4 and 5. TNT sessions will be offered at each location. Linda is checking about having a member from the state

department talking about VE2 funding. Linda will be attending the K-ACTE meeting in Wichita on Monday. Aaron Manfull will be the keynote speaker at Manhattan and Lawrence this fall.

John's new email is hudnall@ku.edu. If you need to contact him for KPSA information, please use the old email address: kspa@ku.edu.

Contest Committee—The committee didn't meet. Jim was absent but submitted a report of concerns.

1. **Photo size/mounting** (Change: The photo size should be no smaller than 5" x 7" or larger than 8" x 10". The photo should not be mounted.)
2. **Cutline in photography contest** (Change: Cutlines should be taped to the back of the photo.) The cutline is not to be judged as part of a photography entry. Contest directors will inform judges regarding the cutline not being judged.
3. **Manipulation of photo in Photoshop**—unchanged
4. **Sports category including fall not just winter sports**—(Change: The regional photography contest can include *fall* and winter photographs.)
5. **Selection of photos in the design contest**—unchanged
6. **Enterprise-type contest**—(Change: Add a separate open photography contest for *one* of the story of the month competitions—no more than 2 entries per school, \$5 per entry.) The winning entry will displayed on the KSPA web site.

Old Business

SPLC Donation--\$1,500 donation

All-Kansas Critiques—Linda shared the newspaper and newsmagazine critique forms and explained the changes that were made for the newsmagazine. (The changes are in coverage, writing, design, and a lot in visuals.) Small changes were made to the newspaper critique. She recommended one critique for both newspaper and newsmagazine. Jennifer moved that one critique form be used with the corrections/changes that were noted. Kim seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Other—none

New Business

JEA Mentor Program—Linda shared information regarding the mentor program. The program was implemented to provide assistance to new advisers. Linda visited with Alexa Posny about support from the state department of education. Posny said that there were no state funds available for our mentorship program. Jennifer made a motion to pay JEA \$5,000 for the mentor program for the 2008-09 school year. This will be the final payment to JEA for this program. Travis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Executive Director Search—John submitted a draft of a job description. He passed along that KU is very supportive of KSPA and the new director search. He explained the search/interview process. KU has suggested the search committee should include Lisa

Crites and Linda Drake from KSPA, a current high school student active in journalism and Carol Halstead, Carrie Benson, and John Hudnall from KU.

- The board suggests a salary range of \$50,000-\$60,000.
- The application review would take place Dec. 1.
- An additional job posting should be placed on the KSPA website.
- Finalists would be reviewed February 1 or after.
- The board suggested including a KSPA student staff member.

Scholarships—cancelled

Adjournment

Linda made a motion to adjourn. Amy seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Hanson
Secretary