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## JOURNAL ARKANSAS ACADEMY OF SCIENCE

ANNUAL MEETING 13-14 APRIL 2001 UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS

Mark Draganjac President

Joyce Hardin Treasurer John Rickett President-Elect Michael Soulsby Secretary

Ed Griffin NAAS Delegate

Henry Robison Historian

Secretary's Report

MINUTES OF THE 85TH MEETING

#### FIRST BUSINESS MEETING UCA LEWIS SCIENCE CENTER ROOM 102 APRIL 13, 2001 - 10:30 AM

- 1. Minutes: Mark Draganjac opened the meeting by tabling the minutes until the 2nd Business Meeting to allow the Executive Committee time to review them.
- 2. Welcome: Mark turned the meeting over to Paul Hamilton, Local Arrangements Committee Chairman. Paul turned the floor over to Dean Ronald Toll. On behalf of the UCA campus, Dean Toll welcomed everyone to the 85th meeting of the Arkansas Academy of Science. Paul then acknowledged that Dean Toll's office is sponsoring the keynote speaker. Paul then described changes in the agenda for the meetings. A total of 120 tickets was sold for the banquet.
- 3. Secretary's Report: Mike addressed the problem associated with the number of *Journal* #53 volumes ordered. He explained that approximately 25 foreign institutions did not receive a copy, and therefore were not billed by the Fayetteville Campus. This is reflected in the treasurer's report, and the problem should not recur again this year. A motion to accept was made by Dr. Rickett, was seconded by Dr. Hemmati, and was passed.
- 4. Treasurer's Report: Joyce discussed about \$1,000 yet to be received for membership dues and asked for prompt payment. She then discussed her written report that is attached to these minutes. She thanked David Saugey for about \$1,000.00 from the sale of his book describing mammals in Arkansas. Income from the Harp Endowment was discussed, for there was concern about whether an adjustment for inflation was included, so that the value would not decrease. Joyce explained that the annual interest will exceed the award, and the basic amount in the endowment should increase annually. Dr. Rickett indicated that, as the endowment grows, a sec-

#### 2000 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Ending Balance - December 31, 2000	\$29,615.76
Beginning Balance - January 1, 2001	\$26,168.49
Net Gain	\$ 3,447.27
DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS	
Checking Account (Firstar Bank, Conway, AR)	\$ 1,139.59
Certificates of Deposit	
Dwight Moore Endowment (Firstar Bank, Conway, AR)	\$ 4,249.79
Life Membership Endowment (Firstar Bank, Conway, AR)	\$14,226.38

### TOTAL \$29,615.76

#### INCOME:

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a.	Associate	\$ 285.00
b.	Regular	\$ 2,130.00
c.	Sustaining	\$ 105.00
d.	Sponsoring	\$ 45.00
e.	Life	\$ 375.00

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\$ 2,940.00

5. INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERSHIPS		\$ 1,500.0
i. MISCELLANEOUS		\$ 10.0
7. JOURNAL a. Miscellaneous Sales b. Page Charges c. Subscriptions	-0- \$ 4,240.00 \$ 2,917.94 \$ 7,157.94	\$ 7,157.9
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<ol> <li>ANNUAL MEETING         <ul> <li>Conway Trophy (657)</li> <li>Castleberry's Grocery (666)</li> <li>Aramark Campus Services (684)</li> <li>David Saugey (686)</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	\$ 95.52 \$ 89.27 \$ 407.48 \$ 359.84	
	\$ 952.11	\$ 952.1
<ul> <li>2. AWARDS</li> <li>a. Arkansas Junior Academy (660)</li> <li>b. Arkansas Science Fair (661)</li> <li>c. Conway Trophy (665)</li> <li>d. Student Awards</li> </ul>	\$ 250.00 \$ 450.00 \$ 281.49 \$ 650.00 \$ 1,631.49	\$ 1,631.49
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4. MISCELLANEOUS a. Ed Griffin Travel to	\$ 278.00 \$ 250.80 \$ 281.52 \$ 200.00 \$ 79.17 g\$ 10.00 \$ 1,099.49	\$ 1,099.49
5. NEWSLETTER		-0-
6. OFFICE EXPENSES		-0-
<ul> <li>7. JOURNAL</li> <li>a. Stan Trauth - Editorial Consultation and Travel Volume 53 (653)</li> <li>b. Pinpoint Color</li></ul>	\$ 200.00 \$13,686.39 \$ 500.00 \$14,386.39	<b>\$14,386.39</b>
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TOTAL EXPENSES		\$18,131.98

ond and third place award may be added. A motion to accept was made by Dr. Hemmati, seconded by Dr. Rickett, and passed.

- 5. Journal Editor-in-Chief: Stan Trauth reported that Journal volume #54 has 160 pages within it, same as last year. Stan also requested that the Academy agree to pay the sum of \$200.00 to the Editor-in-Chief for expenses. A motion to do so was made, and that motion will be voted upon at the Second Business Meeting since it involves money.
- 6. Journal Managing Editor's Report: David Saugey described the problem with submission of papers using the wrong format. About 30 to 40 manuscripts will be sent out for review in mid May. Manuscript authors are being asked to provide more information about their plans during the summer months, so that David can find them for manuscript revision. David also requested that the Academy provide the sum of \$600.00 for editorial assistance this year. This is an increase over the \$500.00 received during past years, but is necessary. A motion to provide \$600 this year was made and seconded. Since this involves money, it will be voted upon tomorrow in the Second Business Meeting.
- 7. Newsletter Editor: Jeff Robertson presented his report indicating that any problems associated with the current Newsletter, like a place to order banquet tickets, turned out not to be a problem for the banquet is sold out.
- 8. Historian: Henry Robison described this as the 85<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academy, and indicated the years when previous meetings of the Academy were held at UCA.
- 9. Science Fair Association: Mike Rapp was not present at this meeting, but provided a report presented by Dr. Hemmati and read by Mark. Thanks for 18 years of support by the Academy was mentioned. A copy of Mike's report describing meetings during the year 2000 is attached to these minutes. Over 280 students participated in the State Science Fair, and about 80 student participated in the Junior Academy of Science Fair. Again this year, the State Science Fair is requesting the sum of \$450.00 to help cover expenses for nine affiliated Fairs and the State Fair. Motion to provide these funds was made and seconded. That motion will be voted upon at the Second Business Meeting. Rick Geraci and Mark Eakin will be replacing the Skinners for the Junior Academy of Science. A sum of \$250.00 is requested again this year to aid with expenses related to the Junior Academy Science Fairs. A motion to provide this amount was made and seconded. This motion will also be voted upon at the Second Business Meeting.
- 10. Junior Science and Humanities Association: Tom Palko was not present, and no report was provided.

11. Intel Talent Search: Jim Murray asked Mark to say that they had only one person in the Search this year, and that this person was given the award. Jim is asking for the sum of \$60.00 to be provided to purchase a plaque for this winner. A motion to provide this amount was made by Dr. Rickett, seconded by Dr. Hardin, and will be voted upon in the Second Business Meeting.

#### 12. Committee Reports:

- a. Biota Committee: Doug James was not present, so Mark presented the report. Mark indicated that Doug is requesting the sum of \$300.00 from the Academy to put the Biota series on the web. This would involve scanning, editing, up-dating, and proof reading. A motion to approve this amount was made by Dr. Rickett, seconded, and it will be voted upon at the Second Business Meeting.
- b. Development Committee: David Saugey indicated that an attempt is being made to solicit money from corporations for an endowment, or for an award at the annual meetings.
- c. Nominations: Bob Watson was not present, so Scott Kirkconnell presented the report. Henry Robison was nominated to continue as Historian. There were no additional nominations from the floor, so a motion to appoint was made and seconded. Nominations for vice-president were John Harris of the Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department and Wayne Gray of UAMS. Additional nominations were solicited from the floor. None were forthcoming.
- d. Science Education Committee: John Rickett informed the meeting that James Daly is stepping down as head of the Science Education Committee. Mark informed that meeting that this committee is trying to contact two year colleges to encourage there attendance and participation. Dr. Hemmati has graciously agreed to chair the Science Education Committee.
- e. AAAS: Ed Griffin is our local representative and was out of town. Mark made the motion to pay Dr. Griffin's expenses. Motion passed.
- f. Ad Hoc Committee on Awards: John Rickett presented the material about the Awards Committee. He also outlined the duties and responsibilities of the secretary. A copy of motions outlined by Dr. Rickett is attached to these minutes. Joyce Hardin recommended that we vote on resolutions #4 and #5 in

tomorrow's meeting, and table resolutions #1, #2 and #3 until the Fall Executive Committee Meeting. After considerable discussion a motion to accept this recommendation was made by Dr. Rickett, seconded and passed. Matt brought up the possibility of awards for posters. It was decided that this would be up to the local arrangements committees.

- 13. 2002 Meeting: Dr. Rickett indicated that UALR will host the 2002 meeting. The local arrangement committee is attempting to get a UALR alumnus as a Biodiversity speaker at the meetings to be held during the first weekend in April.
- 14. 2003 and 2004 meetings: Mark indicated that he has sent letters to UAF and ASU indicating that the executive committee has accepted their bids to host these meetings.
- 15. Bids for 2005: Joyce mentioned that Hendrix College would like to host the 2005 meetings.
- 16. Old Business: Conflicting meetings of the Junior Science Fair prevented these meetings from being held during the first weekend in April. Henry Robison suggested this is the reason attendance is down.
- 17. Webpage: Walt Godwin indicated "the web is out there!"
- 18. Brochure: Dr. Hemmati reminded the meeting that copies of the brochure are present at these meetings. Mark advised Mike to alter the membership forms, so that dues can be paid in advance.
- 19. Resolution Committee: Mark reminded the Committee of his earlier suggestion, that the Chairman of the Resolution Committee be a responsibility of the Vice President. This should by inserted into the Constitution as recommended by the Executive Committee at the Fall meeting. This was brought before the membership of the Academy.
- 20. New Business: Matt Walker presented his suggestion that a new award be presented at each annual meeting. This would be a young investigator award, and might be called the Charles Burkover Award, honoring the first president of the Arkansas Academy of Science. It would be presented to an investigator who is employed by a public or private institution in Arkansas, during the first six years of that employment. The recipient should not hold a rank higher than Assistant Professor or its equivalent. Credentials of a recipient, and mechanism for a nomination were discussed. A three-member committee would be developed to screen individuals nominated. The award could consist of paid travel

expenses to the annual meetings and a plaque. Stan discussed eligibility for nomination. John Rickett expressed some concern about particular issues and suggested that the consideration be tabled and studied further at the Fall Executive Committee meeting.

- Publication Committee: Mark indicated that he would charge the Constitution Committee to look into a potential change in the Publication Committee. The Publication Committee presently consists of the Editorin-Chief, the Managing Editor, plus two additional members. We currently have a pool of associate members. Mark suggests that the two additional members be two of the associate members, so that decisions can be made more easily and without undo delay.
- 22. Judicial Committee: Mark included this issue because it was addressed at the last Executive Committee meeting. The issue is whether we should have a Judiciary Committee. This question evolved out of the problem with the abstract that was not accepted for presentation at the general meeting in Hot Springs. Following much discussion, it was decided that a portion of the Executive Committee should act as the Judiciary Committee only when one is needed. John Rickett suggested that a statement describing worthiness be included with the abstract instructions. Mark brought up a second situation during the banquet in Hot Springs. It was decided to bring this issue up for discussion at the Fall Executive Committee Meeting.
- 23. Other: Bill Shepherd discussed the pairing of sessions at the meetings. For example, Botany and Invertebrate Zoology would be a better pairing than Botany and Vertebrate Zoology. Finally, Dick discussed news from the Forest Service and its "SST" program. This apparently has to do with a "Sweet Smelling Toilet" which he may bring up in the meeting tomorrow.

There being no other new business, a motion to adjourn was accepted.

#### SECOND BUSINESS MEETING UCA LEWIS SCIENCE CENTER ROOM 102 APRIL 14, 2001 - NOON

- Call to Order: Mark officially called the meeting to order at 12:05 pm.
- Approval of Minutes: Mike Soulsby addressed the minutes of the previous Executive Committee Meeting at UALR in September 23, 2000. Misspelled names were addressed. Motion for approval, seconded and approved.
- Nominating Committee: John Rickett presented the report for Dr. Watson, Chairman. His committee submits the following nominations: Historian - Dr. Henry

Robison for another term, Vice President - Dr. Wayne Gray (UAMS) and Dr. John Harris (AHTD). There being no additional nominations from the floor, the motion to cease was made, seconded and passed. Ballots were then distributed for the office of Vice-President for Henry Robison was elected by acclamation.

- Treasurer's Report: Joyce Hardin made certain that all present had a copy of her financial statement. Before going over that statement, Joyce indicated that some page charges for volume #53 are still out. This totals about \$1,000.00. Volume #54 was passed out at the meeting and page charge invoices were mailed out yesterday. Please pay for these invoices by the May 15 due date. Joyce then went over the financial statement, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. David Saugey was applauded for his contribution of proceeds from the Bibliography of Mammals. A motion to accept the report was made by Walter, seconded by Dr. Hemmati, and passed. Mike Soulsby then asked members who were finished with their Vol #53, to please donate them back to the Academy to help cover the shortfall from last year. Joyce indicated that we have received about 75 additional copies of Vol. #54, and we were not charged for them. Hence no shortfall is anticipated this year.
- Auditor's Report: Bob Wiley introduced members of the committee, presented his report and thanked David Saugey for a \$3,500.00 profit from his Bibliography on Mammals. Motion to accept was made, seconded and passed.
- 6. Journal Editor-in-Chief's Report: Stan Trauth reminded the membership that Vol. #54 is available. Since the mailing list is not updated, Stan asked those taking copies back to their respective campuses to scan through and remove copies designated for students and retired faculty. Stan also asked for the Academy to continue an allotment of \$200.00 for the Editor-in-Chief to cover expenses involved. Mark reminded that a motion was made and seconded at yesterday's meeting to allot this amount. That motion passed at this time.
- 7. Journal Managing Editor's Report: David Saugey reminded those in attendance who are submitting a publication for publication to be sure and follow the guidelines in the back inside cover of Vol. #54. Also please let him know how to get in touch with you during the summer for editing and corrections. David also requested the sum of \$600.00 to handle expenses. This is a increase of \$100.00 over previous years' allotments, but is needed to cover increasing expenses. Mark reminded the membership that a motion to fund this amount of \$600.00 was made at yesterday's meeting. That motion was passed at this time.
- 8. Newsletter Report: Jeff Robertson was not present and Dr. Hemmati presented a report.

 Historian's Report: Henry Robison indicated that this is the 85<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Academy. He indicated that the annual meeting has been held at UCA during six previous years (1934, 1964, 1974, 1983, 1992, and this year).

#### 10. Committee Reports:

- a. Biota Committee: Doug James provided a report presented by Mark. The Committee is requesting the sum of \$300.00 to place the Biota Series on the Web. The Executive Committee approved this amount to scan, edit and send to authors for proofreading. This amount of \$300.00 was passed at this time.
- Development Committee: David Saugey indicated that this committee is looking into funding sources in Arkansas and around the country for improving the endowment, scholarships, awards, etc.
- c. Science Education Committee: Mark indicated that James Daly has found it necessary to resign, and that Dr. Hemmati has agreed to take over the chairmanship of this committee. Mark indicated that a goal of the committee will be to get the two-year community colleges involved in the Academy.
- d. AAAS: Mark indicated that Ed Griffin is our representative. A motion to pay airfare for Ed to attend the upcoming annual meeting if San Francisco was made yesterday. The motion to provide the airfare was passed. Ed takes care of all other related expenses.
- 11. Science Fair Association: Mike Rapp was not present, but provided a report read by Mark. The report

thanked the membership of the Academy for their support in previous years. It also listed the names of the State Junior Science Fair winners, and a copy is appended to these minutes. A renewed request for the Academy to continue its support of the State Science Fair, and the Junior Academy activities, to the amount of \$450.00. A motion to provide these funds was made at yesterday's meeting. That motion was passed by the membership.

- Junior Science and Humanities Association: No report given.
- 13. Intel Talent Search: Jim Murray indicated that they had only one person in the search this year, and that this person was given the award. Jim is asking for the sum of \$60.00 to be provided to purchase a plaque for this winner. A motion to provide this amount was in the First Business Meeting. That motion passed at this time.
- 14. Resolution Committee Report: Walt Godwin as committee chairman read the report. He thanked UCA for the meeting, and the local arrangements committee for their labor. He thanked the Guest Speaker and Dean Toll for an excellent meeting. He also thanked the judges for their time and efforts. Winners at the meetings were congratulated. A copy of the report is attached to these minutes.
- 15. Awards: Mark turned the awards presentation over to Paul Hamilton. A copy of Paul's report listing the recipients of the awards is attached to these minutes. Photographs of winners present were taken. Poster awards were also presented. Joyce reminded that monetary awards will be mailed directly to the winners.

Level	Award Type	Category
Undergraduate	1st	Physical Sciences
Undergraduate	2nd	Physical Sciences
Undergraduate	3rd	Physical Sciences
Undergraduate	Honorable Mention	Physical Sciences
Undergraduate	Honorable Mention	Physical Sciences
Undergraduate	Honorable Mention	Physical Sciences
Undergraduate	1st	Life Sciences
Undergradeate	2nd	Life Sciences
Undergraduate	3rd	Life Sciences
Undergraduate	1st	<b>Environmental Sciences</b>
Undergraduate	2nd	<b>Environmental Sciences</b>
Undergraduate	3rd	<b>Environmental Sciences</b>
Graduate	1st	Physical Sciences
Graduate	2nd	Physical Sciences
Graduate	3rd	Physical Sciences
Graduate	1st	Life Sciences
Graduate	2nd	Life Sciences
Graduate	3rd	Life Sciences
Graduate	1st	<b>Environmental Sciences</b>
Graduate	2nd	Environmental Sciences
Graduate	3rd	<b>Environmental Sciences</b>
Undergraduate	1st	Poster Presentation
Undergraduate	2nd	Poster Presentation
Undergraduate	3rd	Poster Presentation
Graduate	1st	Poster Presentation
Graduate	2nd	Poster Presentation
Graduate	3rd	Poster Presentation

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#### Secretary's Report

- 1 . Arrangements Committee: Paul Hamilton indicated that 233 persons registered for this meeting, 120 tickets were sold for the mixer and banquet, 125 presentations, 104 oral and 21 poster presentations.
- Old Business: Henry Robison suggested that if a host institution finds a conflict for its meetings during the first weekend in April, the Executive Committee be notified, and it find an alternate institution.
- 13. Webpage: Walt Godwin indicated the address, and emphasized that it is up and running.
- 19. Brochure: Dr. Hemmati reminded those present that the brochure is available to be distributed at institutions throughout Arkansas.
- 20. Resolution Committee: Mark defined the motion to add to the Constitution that the Vice-President serve as chair of the Resolution committee. This motion was passed at this time.
- 21. Young Investigator Award: Matt Walker reminded the meeting that this will be discussed at the Fall Executive Committee Meeting. He redefined the intent of the Young Investigator Award, the qualifications of nominees, and the method of nomination.
- 22. Publication Committee: Mark indicated that the Constitutional Committee will look into the make-up of this committee. Associate Editors could be used as a pool of individuals to serve on this committee. This charge will also be considered at the Fall Executive Committee Meeting.
- 23. Judicial Committee: Mark included this issue because it was addressed at the last Executive Committee meeting. The issue is whether we should have a Judiciary Committee? This question evolved out of the problem with the abstract that was not accepted for presentation at the general meeting in Hot Springs. Following much discussion, it was decided that a portion of the Executive Committee should act as the Judiciary Committee only when one is needed. Mark also brought up a second situation during the banquet in Hot Springs. It was decided to bring this issue up for consideration at the Fall Executive Committee Meeting.

#### 24. New Business:

 Election of Officers: Dr. Hemmati indicated that Dr. Wayne Gray was the winner of the election for vicepresident.

- b. Other: There was no additional new business.
- 25. Recognitions: Mark expressed his appreciation to those involved in this meeting. He also thanked the current officers. Robert and Raynell Skinner have a plaque waiting for them. Rick Geraci and Mark Eakin will take over for the Skinners. Dr. Rickett then presented a plaque to Mark Draganjac and discussed his plans for the upcoming year.

The meeting was adjourned following Dr. Rickett's comments.

#### APPENDIX A

TO: Arkansas Academy of Science Members (c/o Dr. Joyce Hardin)

FROM: Michael Rapp, Director - State Science Fair Bob & Raynell Skinner, Co-Directors, Arkansas Junior Academy of Science

**DATE:** April 6, 2001

**RE:** Report on Science Fairs & Arkansas Junior Academy of Science

Thank you for the support the Academy has provided for the past eighteen years, both in terms of members of the AAS serving as judges and in terms of financial support. This memo serves as a report of the Science Fairs and Junior Academy of Science Meetings held in Arkansas during 2000.

<u>Central</u> (held at UAMS, Mar. 10): Gary Earleywine, fair director, and Marian Douglas, Jr. Acad. director.

North Central (Lyon College, Batesville, Mar. 16): Beverly Meinzer, fair director, and Kathy Campbell, Jr. Acad. director.

North East (Ark. State Univ., Jonesboro, Mar. 2-3): Marty Huss, fair director, and Ron Johnson, Jr. Acad. director.

North West (Univ. of Ark., Fayetteville, Mar. 16): Lynne Hehr, director of fair and Junior Academy.

South Central (Henderson State Univ., Arkadelphia, Mar. 16): Sherry Lane, fair director, and David Brooks, Jr. Acad. director.

South East (Univ. of Ark-Monticello, Mar. 6): Jim Edson fair director.

South West (Camden, Mar. 23): Cindy Riggs, director of fair and Junior Academy.

West Central (ASMS, Hot Springs, Mar. 12-13): Shane Willbanks, director of fair and Junior Academy.

State Science Fair (UCA, Conway, Apr. 5-6): Michael Rapp, director of fair and Bob & Raynell, co-directors of Junior Academy.

Over 280 students participated in the state science fair, and about 80 students in the state Junior Academy of Science meeting, held April 5-6 in Conway, on the campus of the University of Central Arkansas.

A previous request has been submitted that the Academy continue its support of this year's state science fair activities and Junior Academy of Science meeting. Specifically, \$450 is requested by the Arkansas Science Fair Association to help cover expenses (\$50 for each of the nine affiliated fairs in Arkansas) for students being sent to the Intel International Science & Engineering Fair.(ISEF), and \$250 is requested by the Arkansas Junior Academy to help send students to the American Junior Academy of Science meeting. A previous request has also been submitted that the work of the above individuals be recognized by the Academy membership and that this acknowledgement be included in the *Journal*. Those requests are duplicated below.

#### APPENDIX B

#### RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved that we, the membership of the Arkansas Academy of Science, offer our sincere thanks to the University of Central Arkansas for hosting the 2001 meeting of the Arkansas Academy of Science. In particular, we thank the Local Arrangements Committee for an outstanding job of organizing the meeting: Paul V. Hamilton (Chair), Thomas M. Walker (Co-Chair, Abstracts/Program), James Murray (Audio/Visual), Patrick Desrochers (Poster Session), Rahul Mehta (Judging), Dave Peterson (Registration), Ben Waggoner (Web Design), and all the student workers and staff who collectively contributed to a very successful meeting. Appreciation is expressed for the excellent facilities and the hospitality shown to us by all University of Central Arkansas personnel. We truly appreciate Dr. Jere Lipps for his presentation "Beyond Reason: Science and the Mass Media", which delivers a most timely (and entertaining) reminder of our need to create a more scientifically literate public. We thank Dean Ronald Toll for his support in bringing Dr. Lipps as our keynote speaker.

The Academy recognizes the important role played by the various section chairpersons and expresses sincere appreciation to George Harp (Invertebrate Zoology), Wayne Gray (Microbiology, Parasitology, & Biomedical Sciences), Haydar J. Al-Shukri (Geology & Hydrology), Rose McConnell (Biological & Organic Chemistry), Elizabeth Murray (Terrestrial Ecology), Jim Winter (Mathematics & Science Education), Danny Arrigo and Fred Hickling (Mathematics), David Jamieson, J.D. Wilhide, and David Dussourd (Vertebrate Zoology), Gary Tucker, Daniel Marsh, and Hong Li Wang (Botany & Plant Biology), Brian Wagner,

Elizabeth Murray, and John Rickett (Aquatic Ecology & Ecotoxicology), Wally Cordes, Jon Russ, and Scott Reeve (General & Inorganic Chemistry), Bin Zhang and Andre v Sustich (Physics & Astronomy).

A special thanks is owed to individuals devoting considerable time and energy to judging student paper: Haydar J. Al-Shukri, Cathy Baker, Steven Barger, C. F. Chen, John Graham, Mostafa Hemmati, J. Bruce Johnson, Bao-An Li, Rahul Mehta, Matt Moran, Russell Nordeer, Thomas E. Nupp, Ann Paterson, John D. Rickett, Jeff Robertson, Andrew Sustich, Hong Li Wang, and Heather Woolverton.

We express gratitude to the various directors and the science and youth activities that are supported by the Academy: Steve Long (President, Arkansas Science Teachers Association), Michael Rapp (Director, State Science Fair), Robert and Raynell Skinner (Co-Directors, Arkansas Junior Academy of Science), Tom Palko (Junior Science and Humanities Association), and Jim Murray (Director, Intel Talent Search). We wish to thank all those who served as directors at science fairs and Junior Academy meetings: Gary Earleywine and Marian Douglas (Central Region), Beverly Meinzer and Kathy Campbell (North Cenral Region), Marty Huss and Ron Johnson (North East Region), Lynne Hehr (North West Region), Sherry Lane and David Brooks (South Central Region), Jim Edson (South East Region), Shane Wilbanks (West Central Region), and Michael Rapp (State Meeting, UCA, Conway).

The continued success of the Academy is due to its strong leadership. We offer sincere thanks to our officers for another excellent year: Mark Draganjac (President), John Rickett (President-Elect), Walt Godwin (Vice-President), Michael Soulsby (Secretary), Joyce Hardin (Treasurer), Mostafa Hemmati (Past President), Stanley Trauth (Journal Editor-in-Chief), David Saugey (Journal Managing Editor), Jeff Robertson (Newsletter Editor), and Henry Robison (Historian). In addition, the Academy expresses appreciation to all those individuals who have contributed their time and effort on various committees of the Academy.

Finally, we congratulate all those who presented papers at this meeting. Student participants are especially recognized, since their continued efforts will be directly responsible for the future success of the Academy, and the continuation of science education and research in Arkansas.

Respectfully submitted, Resolution committee: Dr. Walt Godwin (chair) Dr. Bao-An Li Dr. Andrew Sustich

#### APPENDIX C

# Report to the ARKANSAS ACADEMY of SCIENCE by the ARKANSAS JUNIOR ACADEMY of SCIENCE April 13, 2001

Participation. The AJAS state contest was held at the University of Central Arkansas on April 7, 2001. 82 high school Students participated, an increase of 18% over 2000, from 7 of 8 regions representing 16 high schools porticipated.

**Abstracts volume.** For this meeting, Vol. 7 of the abstracts of the students participating in the Arkansas Junior Academy of Science Abstracts was published and distrib-

uted to the entrants. A copy is attached.

Attendance at American Junior Academy of Science meeting. Attending the meeting of the American Junior Academy of Science in San Francisco, CA February 14-18, 2001 and representing the AJAS were two students and a teacher/sponsor. The students, who were top winners in the state AJAS Jr./Soph/Fresh division in Apr. 2000, were: Alexandria Toll (Conway H.S. East) and Michael Johnson (Nettleton H.S., Jonesboro, AR). The sponsor, a high school science teacher, was Mr. Ron Seymour (Conway H.S. East). The AJAS paid 50% of the travel and registration fees for one student and the teacher/sponsor. This meeting is held in conjunction with the meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. The Arkansas delegation has a second registration for the AAAS meeting and interacts with working scientists in breakfast meetings, poster presentation sessions, and informal discussions.

New AJAS directors. The incoming directors of the AJAS, Mr. Rick Geraci, P.E. and Mr. Mark Eakin, P.E. attended the meeting with regional AJAS directors and science teachers at noon on Friday, April 6. They also attended the meeting of the Junior Academy on Saturday morning, participated as judges in the contests, and observed the behind-the-scenes activities. The Junior Academy is very excited about having Rick and Mark assume the director-

ship of the AJAS.

**Thanks.** The AJAS wishes to thank the senior academy for their continued encouragement and monetary support.

Submitted by:

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#### APPENDIX D

MOTIONS TO: Arkansas Academy of Science Executive Committee and General Membership

**FROM:** John Rickett, Chair of Constitution Committee and ad hoc awards program revision committee

**DATE:** 13 April 2001

MOTION 1: The proposed guidelines (attached) for administering the Arkansas Academy of Science student awards program be adopted.

MOTION 2: The proposed guidelines (attached) for administering the Arkansas Academy of Science student awards program, if adopted, be added to the Constitution as Appendix C.

MOTION 3: The following bold-faced phrase be inserted into the description and charge of the AWARDS COMMITTEE in the Constitution. (section to be deleted is italicized)

AWARDS COMMITTEE: The Awards Committee shall be named by the Local Arrangements Committee for the upcoming annual meeting. The Committee shall consist of a Chair and as many additional members as the Chair and/or Local Arrangements Committee deem necessary. The Awards Committee shall evaluate adhere to approved guidelines (Appendix C of Constitution) for evaluating undergraduate and graduate paper presentations during the annual meeting and make recommendations for the various awards established by the Executive committee.

MOTION 4: The document titled "General suggestions and outline for hosting an Arkansas Academy of Science annual meeting" be adopted as our formal set of guidelines, and the Secretary be charged to maintain custody of the document and provide at least one copy of such to each Local Arrangements Committee chair.

Comment: The Executive Committee has reviewed this document and approved it. Since it is fairly sizable, we decided not to prepare a copy for every member in attendance to review, but there are a few copies around should you wish to review it before voting.

MOTION 5: The Secretary shall be the permanent custodian of our Constitution and instructed to provide each newly elected Vice President a current copy.

#### ARKANSAS ACADEMY OF SCIENCE

## GUIDELINES FOR STUDENT PAPER JUDGING & AWARDS PROCEDURES

NOTE TO LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE: You must assign some papers to the Environmental Science section—enough to provide three winning places at the undergraduate and one at the graduate level. We have to keep this pattern consistent or AEF may pull their contribution and the Harp Endowment award is specifically targeted to the graduate level environmental. The committee is allowed the judgment as to which papers fit into the Environmental section best.

The Local Arrangements Committee shall establish a reasonable registration fee sufficient to cover expenses of the meeting, open a checking account briefly to pay local expenses, settle up after the meeting and submit any leftover monies to the Academy Treasurer. Keep in mind the Annual Meeting should pay for itself, but should not be used as a money-making endeavor. (Although this isn't in the Constitution, it has been the general attitude of the Executive Committee and standard procedure for the past 20 or so years).

#### **GUIDELINES FOR AWARDS COMMITTEE:**

#### Undergraduate Graduate

A. Categories -

1. Environmental Science 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> 1<sup>st</sup>(\*) (May include certain papers on aquatic environments, environmental chemicals zoology, etc.)

Life Science 1st, 2nd, 3rd 1st, 2nd, 3rd (Includes Botany, Biomedical, some Biochemical, some Aquatic/ Environmental, Invert. Zoo., Vert. Zoo.)

3. Physical Science lst, 2nd, 3rd lst, 2nd, 3rd (Includes Applied Science, Chemistry, Biochemistry, Geology, Physics & Astronomy)

#### Notes -

 Awards are given per <u>category</u>; not per session (there may be more that one session of some categories)

Second or third places may not be used, depending on the number of papers in a given category and/or the quality of the presentations.

(\*) As this endowment grows, 2<sup>nd</sup> and possibly 3<sup>rd</sup> place levels may be added

B. Monetary awards -

 All undergraduate awards are supported by an annual gift from Arkansas Environmental Federation; 1st

- place receives \$100, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places receive \$50 each.
- 2. The graduate Environmental Science award is supported by interest from the George and Phoebe Hap Endowment fund (1st place receives \$150; 2nd place [when instituted] will receive \$100; 3rd place [when instituted] to be determined by mutual consent)

 Graduate Life Science and graduate Physical Science awards are supported by the Arkansas chapters of Sigma Xi (??amounts??)

- C. Papers in each category at each level shall be heard by at least two judges (three are recommended) (18 total). Each judge must hear and evaluate every qualified paper in his/her category/level. A judge who has a student presenting a paper being evaluated for an award shall excuse himself/herself due to a conflict of interests. (WHOEVER IS ARRANGING THE SEQUENCE OF PAPERS MUST ALLOW FOR JUDGES TO MOVE BETWEEN SESSIONS/ROOMS EASILY, IF NECESSARY, AND HEAR EACH PAPER IN HIS/HER ASSIGNED CATEGORY.)
- D. Poster presented papers shall not be judged with the same criteria or with the same judges as orally presented papers. A panel of three additional judges shall evaluate all posters and award "honorable mention" to the better ones, if determined appropriate by the Local Arrangements Committee.
- E. The abstract form shall contain the three category options in which the author(s) shall designate the paper to be judged.
- F. Some variability in the foregoing shall be allowed, depending on the number and nature of the papers/posters being presented, but every reasonable effort shall be made to maintain fidelity with the procedures agreed to by the donors of the monetary awards.
- G. All judges should be provided with a standard paper judging form.

Suggested standard paper judging form:

## ARKANSAS ACADEMY OF SCIENCE STANDARD STUDENT PAPER JUDGING FORM

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