

Business Meeting CSAAPT Spring Meeting

April 23, 2016 Randolph-Macon College in Ashland, VA

Presiding: Carl Mungan, CSAAPT President

Meeting commenced at 2:06 pm with 18 in attendance

Minutes of the Fall 2015 CSAAPT Meeting were distributed and approved.

Brett Taylor gave the Treasurers Report. The section has approximately \$11,000. The questions has been raised in the past as to whether or not we should invest our funds. In checking with other sections, Brett found that not very many sections have as many funds as we do, and not many invest their funds. He will continue to think and explore options of what to do with our funds.

Future Meetings:

1. The next meeting of the CSAAPT will be at Northern Virginia Community College, Loudon Campus on October 29, 2016. This campus is located in Sterling, VA.
2. It is proposed that the Spring 2017 meeting be a joint meeting with the Appalachian Section of the AAPT. We are looking for a location that could best accommodate both sections.

The following individuals were awarded prizes for their presentations:

1. Two Year College: **Alex Barr**, Howard Community College, Columbia MD.
"Thin Film Interference with Electrons"
2. Four Year College: **Alice Hawthorne-Allen**, Concord University, Athens WV
"Knowing Your Student's Likely Characteristics Improves Outcomes"
3. Student: **May Palace**, Salisbury University, Salisbury MD
"Hidden Fractals in the Dynamics of the Compound Pendulum"
4. Physics Demo: **Renee Reisenweaver**, Lee-Davis High School, Mechanicsville VA
"Once, Twice, Three Shoot"

Deonna Woolard, Section Rep, gave a report

1. There has been a decline in AAPT membership (mostly High School teachers), but also a modest surplus in funds.
2. Mini grants will awarded to sections, up to \$1000 per section, for initiative that have a lasting impact on the physics community.
3. JTUPP (Joint Taskforce on Undergraduate Physics Programs) report is due in the Fall of 2016.
4. Deonna is looking for someone to go to the Summer AAPT Meeting and attend the Meeting of the Members. This meeting will be in Sacramento, CA.

The NSTA will have a regional meeting in Baltimore on Oct 5-7, 2017. The CSAAPT has been involved in producing a Physics Day at the last two regional meetings. We will solicit support for this effort, once we have more details about the upcoming meeting.