



Motion by: Ms. Einhorn \_\_\_\_\_  
Seconded by: Mr. Topliff \_\_\_\_\_  
Vote: For: All \_\_\_\_\_ Against: \_\_\_\_\_

10:10 AM **Information** 6. Legislative Update Joe Watts  
We understand that our bill (HB 269) has been rolled in to HB 2.

10:20 AM **Discussion** 7. Budget, State Monies and Contracts David Kratzer  
Mr. Kratzer met with his management and there will be money from LANL to continue the contract with Ms. Einhorn and Ms. Frederick for the last (third) year of their current contract. We need to plan to have the Challenge take over their contract(s).

10:32 AM **Discussion** 8. Accountability Bill Blackler  
How do we know if our mission (of getting more students interested in math, science, engineering) is being successful? An AIM contact has been working with us on assessment. We have email addresses of many participants. We need to find money to pay someone with time to follow up with participants.

10:40 AM **Discussion** 9. Grants Committee Celia Einhorn  
Mr. Watts will work on the LANL Foundation grant. Pat Miller would like to help as well. It is due March 17<sup>th</sup>. We'll need financial information from NMIPA. Committee is Ms. Einhorn, Ms. Frederick, Ms. Granoff, and Ms. Tovar.

10:42 AM **Information** 10. McCune Committee Celia Einhorn  
We spent a fair amount of time preparing this proposal, but we got a rejection letter saying there wasn't enough money to go around, but no specific information about what we could do different in the future. They encouraged us to apply again. We wanted money for STI.

10:50 AM **Discussion** 11. Computers for Glorieta Betsy Frederick  
New Mexico Reruns will not be able to work with us as well as we have in the past. We need to work through New Mexico Technet in the future. We need to find equipment to use just for a week at Glorieta. Maybe use the PED Seventh Grade laptops?

10:55 AM **Information** 12. 501(c)3 Bill Blackler  
**Discussion**  
Mr. Donahue and Mr. Blackler have gone through it and are very close to sending it in. Is the Challenge a successor organization? We think not. How does the Challenge share its mission with the public? Via the web page. We have sent out letters to teachers and superintendents which tells of the mission and the awards and scholarships.

11:15 AM **Information** 13. Public Information Announcements Bill Blackler  
Need to make sure that general scholarship information is available to the public. On the website, the About link describes the program and the Expo link points to the scholarship available each year. Consult is working on a new brochure. The old one mentions scholarships.

11:18 AM **Discussion** 14. Conflict of Interest Policy Bill Blackler  
IRS suggests we have such a policy. Ms. Tovar has one she will get to us. Mr. Blackler, Mr. Donahue, and Ms. Tovar will come up with the policy.

11:20 AM **Discussion** 15. Strategic Plan Bill Blackler

We rely on mostly volunteers. We need to have a full time person. Need to be aware of changes in LANL management. Need plans for equipment. Need to know what the dollar amount per student is and how to use our money for effectively. What should be addressed in a Strategic Plan? Needs to be an annual discussion. Mr. Blackler will be the discussion of a Strategic Plan and ask for input. Need to have a running list of people we would like to have on the Board so that the Operational People can be off the Board.

11:30 AM **Discussion** 16. Mission/Vision Statement

Bill Blackler

Have discussed this lot. Ms. Tovar summarized the discussion and it is posted on the Board bulletin board. Ms. Einhorn and Ms. Frederick will bring this together for a vote at the next meeting.

11:35 AM **Discussion** 17. Other Business

Looking into using Santa Fe Indian School to host the Summer Teacher Institute. Discussing a student component to go with the STI.

The Challenge will provide an award at the New Mexico Science & Engineering Fair at New Mexico Tech in Socorro on April 7-8, 2006.

11:40 PM

18. Adjourn

Next meeting Tuesday, March 21, 2006 in Albuquerque.

Ms. Frederick moved to adjourn.

President \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary \_\_\_\_\_