

Supercomputing Challenge Board Meeting
ABBA Technologies
5301 Beverly Hills Ave NE, Albuquerque
Nov 9th, 2016 1:00 -- 4:00

Meeting minutes

Persons in attendance:

Bob Robey
Cristina Martinez (new member)
Kaley Goatcher (new member)
David Kratzer
Tom Bowles
Bill Blackler
Ron Davis (hosting us at ABBA)

On the phone:

Teri Roberts
Patty Meyer
Josephine Kilde
Jed Crandall

(1:10 pm) Call to Order

(1:11) Quorum

(1:12) Approval of Agenda

Bill motions to move board member additions closer to the top. Seconded, approved.
Unanimous “aye” to approve agenda.

(1:14 pm) Board member actions

Kaley Goatcher

- Currently employed at Honeywell Aerospace, previous grad of New Mexico Tech 2015
- Volunteered with the Challenge for several years (since 2011)
- Kaley wants to bring her organizational skills and new ideas

Cristina Martinez

- Solutions Architect with a focus in Cyber Security at Sandia – 20 years
- Cristina participated in one of the first groups of the SCC, her daughters are both currently participating in the Challenge, and so she wants to give back to the SCC by being on the Board.
- Cristina has been to the legislature to help promote the SCC bills

Any questions/feedback on the nominations for the board?

- Teri – they both seem motivated to move the board forward
- Patty – seem like great additions

Motion by Bill to accept both as board members, seconded and unanimously approved.

(1:21) Motion to discuss non-participating board members by Bob

(1:25 pm) Approval of Previous Minutes

Reject – there were no previous minutes

(1:30) Board President's message -- Bob Robey
Catchup on financial records

(1:49 pm) Current Financial Status

Bill gave some finance stats.

(2:08) Budget — 2016 School Year

Bill – looking at 140,900 for the current year

Expenses: 139K (?) in expenses estimated

\$12,500 spent from our personal accounting

Bob – do we want to motion to allow Bill to work with the accountant for \$50 a month?

Tom – I motion

Ron – I second

All in favor? Unanimous.

(2:14 pm) Funding Initiatives

Boeing, Honda, McCune, NSF

Bob – I want to set a board goal to raise \$200K this year. We need to start working on a reserve fund

Bob – where do we stand on Honda? Who's got the lead on that?

Josephine – Honda we submitted on July 27th. According to their website we should hear back by November 1st whether we get it or not. There are no contacts on their website.

Bob – can you give us some details on the proposal?

Josephine – It was for 3 years, we were proposing 75K for 3 years for a total of \$225K

Bob - McCune Foundation – where do we stand on that?

Josephine – we don't fit the categories

Bob – do we want to get with Bradbury and the Nuclear Museum and get a partnership going?

Teri – take action to talk with Bradbury and/or Nuclear Museum

(3:03 pm) Bill Blackler

10. (20 min) Recent Activity Reports

Kickoff Report

David – 250 Students and teachers

80 some staff

Teacher track (2 hrs Sat and 2 hrs Sun) – unanimously they want us to repeat the teacher track.

Teachers also want resources, help on coding, help getting students to pick out better projects

A few requested an STI (summer teacher institute)

This might be something to look into bringing back

Bob – Patty do we have any statistics on this program??

(3:15 pm) Future Activity Planning

Expo -- April 25-26th

David – last week we went out to Mesa del Sol and determine it wasn't the best place to hold the expo. We also went to CNM and UNM. Went to Cascada hotel (one with the water park: Carlisle and I-40). Talked about having the reception at a museum? Nuclear or Natural History museum. History

museum is closed on Tuesday and we might be able to use it (but there would be a charge). Nuclear may not charge.

If we're in ABQ, we might be able to allow students to be hosted by local businesses

Teri – do we have to deal with insurance?

Cristina – you need to sign a waiver to use

Some other ideas:

Let's tour UNM/CNM

Let's bring in clubs and passionate college students

Let's bring students to businesses and show them what engineers do

Let's bring the businesses to present to the kids

Let's celebrate at the water park

Let's talk about alternating locations for everything, kickoff included. We can have that down at NMSU

Bob – I'd like to go on the record that NMT does a great job at hosting us

Let's plan for ABQ for the expo. Cristina and Matt have the final says as they are the "hosts"

Next strategic planning meeting: First ish week in December? December 6th 9am

Subcommittee: Cristina, Bob, Bill, David, Josephine, Patty, Tom

(4:00 pm) Adjourn

Tom – motion to adjourn

Kaley – I second

Unanimous