**Eastern Educational Research Association**

**Fall 2019 Board Meeting**

Skype Conference Call

10:00 AM Tuesday

October 7, 2019

Minutes

Call to order

Approval of Summer 2019 meeting minutes

New Business

1. Conference registration fees – Looked at other organizations to see what they charge for their conferences (attachment provided by George). Proposal to raise all rates by 10%. Discussion opened on raising registration fees. Suggestion to provide additional events/services to accompany raise of fees. Motion to raise conference registration by 10% by Shawn Fitzgerald. Seconded by Willy Williams. Motion supported unanimously.

Executive Committee Reports

1. President’s Report – George Watson: Discussion of Double Tree Hotel, where next conference will be held. Near Sea World. Plenty of amenities nearby. Outdoor receptions, weather permitting. Conference will have the same types of presentations as last year. New student reception this year.
2. Past President’s Report – Shawn Fitzgerald: Nothing to add
3. President-Elect/Conference Chair Report – Grace Liang: Not present. Has made a call for reviewers. Please review within 2 weeks of receiving.
4. Vice President for Conference Planning – Jessica Bucholz: Not present
5. Treasurer – John Flynn: Have about $55,000 in checking and savings. Down significantly from previous years due to running deficits.
6. Secretary – Jason Schenker:

Director’s Reports

1. Director of Communications – Willy Williams: Would like to do a newsletter or George could send out an email “From the President’s Desk”. Also, a statement about the reason for the rate increase. Discussion on when the newsletter would be sent out and how frequently.
2. Director of Student Services – Roque Neto: Not present
3. Director of Divisions and SIGS – Roofia Galeshi: Not present
4. Director of Membership – Beena Achhpal: Discussion of flyer sent to universities. Should go out relatively soon so that potential attendees can plan for the conference.
5. Director of Awards – Iman Chahine: Question on ordering the plaques.
6. Director of Hospitality and Conference Experiences– Carol Watson: Not present
7. Director of Conference Special Programs – Kenda Grover: Question on the presentations such as invited sessions, workshops, etc. Programs for interviewing, new faculty, early career development, etc. Help Grace with obtaining keynote speaker. Would like to have keynote speaker in place by end of November. May host something at Sea World on Saturday, but may be too expensive.
8. JRE Editor Report – Tracy Butler & Kristen McHenry: Greeting from new editors to be added to Journal. Put down January 2020 as the due date for journal submissions for Summer release. Question about mass email for call for submissions. Question about online access to the journal.

Old Business

1. Conference Considerations Orlando (2020) and Savannah (2021): Any comments, considerations? A word of caution from Shawn about multiple people sending out multiple communications in addition to those from Willy so that people are not bombarded with emails. If we want to increase our membership, we must go beyond the current lists.