

J/CCSPAT BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
JUNE 29, 2006  
AUSTIN, TX

**Members Present**

Cindy McAlister  
Sherry Lang  
Debbie Kelley  
Marie Light  
Gaynelle Hayes  
Carmen DeLuna-Jones  
Arnold Ramirez  
LaRonda Ashford  
John Bicknel  
John Baker  
Vickie Geisel  
Eddie Sandoval  
Seldon Maple  
Kathy Kelley  
Mike Farnell

**Members Absent**

Mary Carla White  
Lola Redmond  
Becky Greene  
Lolo Mercado  
Paula Vastine

The meeting was called to order by President Sherry Lang at 10:10 am.

Minutes

There were no additions or corrections to the minutes and they were accepted. Gaynelle made the motion and John Bicknel 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Treasurer's Report

John Baker gave the treasurer's report. He said that the total account balance is \$42,059.85.

New Board Member

Sherry welcomed our newest board member, Cindy McAlister, from Kilgore College.

Membership

John Bicknel had nothing new to report. He plans to go through the directory and contact people to make sure they are the correct names. Vicky suggested using the email to contact them and that she would send him the names and email addresses and he could just reply to all.

Sherry passed the flyers around that Kathy did for membership recruiting.

Sherry said she made some contacts and is trying to rekindle members on her campus.

Eddie wants the names of those contacts.

Discussion followed about possible contacts and ways to increase membership in the organization.

Sherry said she will call Jim Willis at St. Mary's and some others.

### Historian

No report.

### Awards

Eddie is the point of contact on the Website for nominations for the Research Award. Outstanding J/CCSPAT Member and retirees were mentioned for awards or special recognition in some way at the conference. Also, some type of recognition for board members, new members and presenters should be given such as ribbons on their name tags.

### Research

LaRonda will send an announcement that we are looking for nominations for research. They must be current members though. John Baker suggested that we might pay for their membership to get them to attend the conference and maybe they would continue in the organization. Discussion followed, but nothing was actually decided about that.

### Legislative

No report.

### Missing meetings

There was a discussion about those board members who miss three meetings. According to the by-laws, a board member who has missed three meetings in a row is to be dismissed from the board. The only one so far is Paula Vastine, but there are three who have missed two and will receive a warning from Sherry. They are Lola Redmond, Becky Greene, and Mary Carla White.

### Professional Development

Arnold has submitted a renewal for LPC and NBCC credit for the conference. He said he will work with Vickie on proposals for workshops, including the Ethics workshop. John was asked if he wanted to do it this year but he said he would rather have someone else do it if they can find someone. Arnold also mentioned that there is going to be a new exam for renewals for LPCs.

### Website

Carmen said the website was updated in March.

Debbie is working on the directory for the website.

Carmen said to get information to her this summer for the website.

Sherry made some corrections and will send them to Carmen.

Debbie had taken a picture of the officers and will send it to the website.

### Scholarships

The deadline to apply for scholarships is September 29. Everything is updated on the web. We will include information about the scholarships with the flyers.

### 2006 Conference

Vickie passed out packets with information about the 2006 conference and asked Debbie to make notes on any suggestions made by board members. She wants feedback and ideas. Kilgore, TJC, and Trinity Valley are co-hosting the conference and there is information on the website.

A discussion followed about whether to email the information or send paper and it was decided to send out postcards to tell people to go to the website.

She has already got some proposals back for programs or workshops – Blinn and TJC are testing the common application, learning communities in dorms, advising, and some others. She asked for suggestions for topics for presentations. She will list some of the workshops on the postcards.

Vickie asked about when to have the presidents' panel – Thursday or Friday? Some suggestions were made but nothing was decided.

She mentioned having focus groups prior to the conference start. They would be round-table discussions and members could pick and choose the group they wanted to attend.

Eddie mentioned that he would like civility addressed in one of these groups. Arnold said LPC credit could possibly be given for these groups.

There was more discussion about possible topics and speakers.

More information on door prizes and food, etc. will follow.

Debbie said there will be a good band for the Wednesday reception. Thursday we will go to the Kiepersol Winery by bus. Also there will be a hospitality room in the hotel.

They are planning for around 80 to attend, but hoping for 100.

Also mentioned is a possible update on Perkins, maybe for Friday to keep people there.

Arnold wants the presentations to be available after the conference on the website.

Vickie said they will send postcards after the conference telling people what they missed.

She also explained about why they have hot air balloons and the logo they have.

### Flyers

Kathy talked about the flyers and asked the board members which one they liked. She will try to consolidate some of the information from each one onto one. A picture of board members or other members might be good on a flyer.

Carmen suggested that we take a picture in front of the quilt, about which Sherry said she will email Lolo to have it sent here for the conference.

### 2007 Conference

Eddie talked about their new campus being built downtown, but it might not be ready for the conference. Seldom will help with the conference planning, but they have not set up a committee yet and there are no dates confirmed yet.

### Regional Workshop

LaRonda said her workshop is on hold right now.

### Name Change

Kathy Kelley reminded us that her name and email address has been changed from Lockwood to Kelley.

### New Business

The 2006 out going board members are:

Carmen

Eddie

Lolo

Seldon

John Bicknel

Sherry asked them to submit something by email to her if they want to serve on the board again.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Marie Light, Secretary