



Board of Governors

AOC Educational Foundation

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MINUTES

02 November 2023



THOSE PRESENT

Executive Committee

- Brian “Hinks” Hinkley, President
- Dennis Monahan, Secretary
- Erik Bamford, International Rep.

- Myles Murphy, Vice-President
- Greg “Patch Patschke, Treasurer
- Shelley Frost, Executive Director

Regional Directors

2023

- Karen Brigance, Southern
- Myles Murphy, Northeast
- Jurgen Opfer, International II

2024

- Dennis Monahan, Mid Atlantic
- Wayne Shaw, Mountain Western
- Jim Utt, Central

2025

- Amanda Brockermeier, Pacific
- Erik Bamford, International I
- Mark Schallheim, Northwest

Adjunct Member (Board of Governors)

2023-2024

- Mick Riley
- Jesse “Judge” Bourque

Past President

- Glenn “Powder” Carlson

Staff and Others (not-voting)

- Shelley Frost
- Glorianne O’Neilin
- Tony Ramos
- Hollann Schwartz
- Ken Miller
- Meron Bekele
- Josie Iapalucci
- Raleigh Leavitt
- Frank Ball
- Dr. Haruko Kawahigashi
- Nino Amoroso
- Steve Oatman
- Ken Parks
- Ken Dworkin
- Mike Ryan

Legend: Present Not Present Present by Adobe/Telephone

CALL TO ORDER

Proper meeting notice having been given and with a **QUORUM** present, the Board of Governors meeting **CONVENED** at 1600 EDT, Tuesday, 2 November by Zoom conference call. President Brian Hinkley called the meeting to order.



SECRETARY REPORT

The Secretary was unable to attend so the Executive Director presented the Secretary Report.

Minutes for the 14 June 2023 Board of Governors (BoG) meetings were posted to the read aheads for member review and approval. An addendum was proposed to correct some of the language related to intent for the AEF to join spectrum-related consortium.

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** (Hinkley/Riley) to APPROVE the minutes as amended of the 14 June 2023 BoG meeting. **MOTION PASSED.**

TREASURER REPORT

Treasurer Patschke provided a review of the Education Fund financials. Overall account balance stands at \$202.5k as of 31 Oct 2023. Patch identified that number has hovered around \$202K for a considerable amount of time. This means there are opportunities to increase use of the fund.

Treasurer Patschke provided an update on the 2023 budget status. Budget was initially approved with a \$13k loss; end of year turned out to be better than planned, closing out at \$10k loss.

An amendment to the budget was requested by Mr. Schallheim to allocate \$1k to the STEM committee for 2023 for incidental funding for STEM-related projects that will be brought forward by AOC chapters to the symposium in December. Funding will only be used by AOC chapters for a demonstration. Purpose if to increase chapter involvement in STEM programs and events.

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** (Patschke/Riley) to APPROVE the amended 2023 budget as presented. **MOTION PASSED.**

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** (Patschke/Murphy) to APPROVE the Treasurer's Report as presented. **MOTION PASSED.**

STRATEGY COMMITTEE UPDATE

Vice President Murphy provided a high-level brief on the AOC Vision, Strategy, Strategic Goals, and 2023 Operating Plan as relates to the Education program.

Ongoing activities include:

- Continuing with the webinar program.
- Pushing STEM to chapters for the short term.
- Determining second- and third-order effects of the Future 5 program.
- Assessing interest in chapters facilitating internship and mentorship matching.



Follow-on conversation focused on steps taken to evaluate the structure of the AEF and the BoG, and assessing options for growth in the AEF.

- Mr. Schallheim and Vice President Murphy intend to get together prior to the December BoG to outline opportunities for discussion on the way forward during the December BoG meeting.

Vice President Murphy reviewed the 2024 Annual Operating Plan which include:

- Focus on Congressional outreach on the value of STEM opportunities and gain inclusion of EMS into educational curriculums.
- Determine how to support STEM with chapters and industry.

Vice President Murphy proposed the 2024 BoG Strategic Planning Team to develop the 5-year strategy include: Incoming President-Elect, Vice President Murphy, Mr. Schallheim, Mr. Everly, Mr. Riley, Mr. Dworkin, Mr. Amoroso, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Blanche, Executive Director Frost, Mrs. O'Neilin, Mr. Brock, Ms. Bekele, and others as needed.

AOC MUDDY WATTERS STEM PROGRAM COMMITTEE UPDATE

Mr. Mark Schallheim provided a high-level review on AOC Muddy Watters STEM Program and activities.

Mr. Schallheim announced Mr. Brock is the new Director of Strategic Partnerships and Training - new STEM Program Manager.

Mr. Schallheim provided a high-level overview of the 2024 Strategic Objectives and the 2025-2026 Flight Plan.

- Educate goal is to grow professional development certification and STEM programs by recently established roadmaps.

Mr. Schallheim provided a brief review of interest in increasing the STEM demonstrations at the AOC Annual Symposium in December.

The focus in 2024 STEM Program will include:

- Encourage all chapters to have local STEM involvement.
- Interact and participate in cooperative STEM events and/or programs with government, defense, corporate, associations, and educational organizations.
- Continue the STEM awards program that was started in 2023.
- Focus Congressional outreach.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE AND FUTURE 5 UPDATE

Mr. Mick Riley provided a brief update on the program and provided background on all of the Future 5 winners. He also outlined the schedule of events as relate to the Future 5.

Mr. Riley outlined a plan for distributing \$10k to assist Future 5 with travel to the International Symposium. This was verified to be in compliance with IRS requirements.



Mr. Riley also briefly discussed the fundraising plan for scholarships for 2024.

CLOSING COMMENTS

President Hinkley reviewed the upcoming schedule and thanked everyone for a productive meeting.

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** (Brockermeier/Riley) to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION PASSED**. President Hinkley **ADJOURNED** the proceedings at 1730 hours EDT, 2 November 2023.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

Presented by the Secretary for **APPROVAL** by the Board of Governors on 18 April 2024.

Dennis Monahan

Dennis Monahan, Secretary

18 April 2024

Date

