

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND DISABILITY

Annual Meeting

10:00 AM -12:00 PM, Friday, February 13, 2015

Executive Boardroom, San Jose Hilton

San Jose, CA

AGENDA

- Call to Order/Introduction: President Richard Mankin called the meeting to order and introduced special guests and attendees.
Special guests: Yew Hung Leong- Major: Computer Science, UC-Berkeley.; Rush Holt (Chief Executive Officer, AAAS); Chris Gaston (Director of Executive Office Operations, AAAS);
Other Attendees: Yoshiko Miwa; Rory Cooper; Ai Hirayama; Morton Ann Gernsbacher; Deborah Seiler; Imke Durre; Inge Durre; Angela Lee Foreman; Ted Conway; Laureen Summers; Trish Morse; Ian Kanair.
There was discussion about the activities of different members during the past year, including papers that Yoshiko Miwa published about the status of persons with disabilities in Japan.
- Minutes - February 14, 2014 (Chicago, IL). The minutes of the 2014 meeting were approved as published in the Winter 2015 Newsletter on the STEM.D.ORG web site (<http://www.ars.usda.gov/sp2UserFiles/person/3559/FSDNewsletterjan2015.pdf>).
- Treasurer's Report- Angela Foreman, Treasurer, presented a summary of her report published in the 2015 Winter Newsletter. The society has a cash balance of approximately \$21,500.
- Science Student Grant Committee Report – Richard Mankin presented the grant committee report (other committee members were Angela Foreman, Imke Durre, and Laureen Summers). Rosemarie Figueroa, a PhD student in Industrial and Operations Engineering at the University of Michigan won an award for the project “Development of a 3-d anthropometric model for simulating hand work”.
- New Business: It was discussed that the next AAAS meeting (in Washington, DC) will have a focus on science and diversity. In support of this focus, the AAAS Project on Science, Technology, and Disability is preparing a proposal to obtain funding to sponsor a preconference workshop for former EntryPoint students to encourage networking and collaborative activities. Plans also are in progress to develop funding to re-establish the Annual Luncheon for Students with Disabilities that was discontinued after 2011. In this regard, Rory Cooper brought up several potential funding sources, including the Equal Rights Center (ERC). To capture these ideas in the form of an action item, it was moved, seconded, and passed that the Foundation for Science and Disability provide up to \$5000 for a Luncheon for Students with Disabilities at the AAAS meeting in 2016. The motion also created an Ad-Hoc subcommittee (Ted Conway, Laureen Summers, Rory Cooper, Angela Foreman, and Richard Mankin) to draft a grant proposal sponsoring a workshop in which former EntryPoint students will present current research in a poster session and also will make presentations in the Luncheon for Students with Disabilities. Work on this subcommittee will commence during the week after the Emerging Researchers Network annual meeting February 19-21.
- Adjournment- The meeting adjourned at noon.

Respectfully submitted by Richard Mankin, February 13, 2015.