

**CMS Mid-Atlantic Chapter
General Business Meeting Minutes
February 15, 2014**

Called to order by President Turner at 8:03am

Members present: JW Turner, Kim Wangler, Robert Baker, Thomas Dempster, Carys Kunze, Omri Shimron, Liana Valente, Jennifer Snodgrass, Reeves Shulstad, Matt Whitfield

Note: lack of a quorum, so all votes are provisional

Approval of Minutes:

Motion: Robert Baker

Second: Omri Shimron

Unanimously approved.....provisionally

President's Report

Treasurer not able to attend due to weather, but we have about \$4,000 in the back account before liabilities from conference

Concern for Reputation of Chapter, would like to step-up our profile and quality of presentations and offerings

New system for choosing presentations with program committee chosen from general Membership is good – more inclusive

Move to redefine board positions – should be advocates for involvement

Brainstorm for new sessions...discussion presented later

Discussion of presenting the Ruskin Couper Award to student presenter Jeremy Carter

Motion to award: Thomas Demster

Second: Robert Baker

Unanimously approved.....provisionally

General Business

Suggestions for next conference

Site for 2015 High Point University

Accepted by acclimation

Discussion of 2016 – we believe Winthrop is interested, but will wait until we have more members present to represent different areas within our region to decide

Dates will be mid-March in hopes of avoiding weather related issues

Travel Award for Student Chapters

Jennifer Snodgrass reminded us that we have committed to award each student Chapter attending \$250 toward expenses. Discussion of how much to offer, and if it should be based on number of students attending. It was decided that our award would remain based on chapter, not students attending.

We need to request funds for Appalachian State Chapter

Discussion of Invited Presenters (other than Keynote)

Possible Topics could include discussion by Mus Ed organizations regarding the lack of incentives for masters degrees, or relevance of B.A. degrees....or other timely issues
Decision will be made by Program Director and discussion will continue.

Agreement to encourage posters – possibly including a specific session for student Posters

We liked the idea of Lightning Talks – similar to format from National....will likely include this at conference

Discussion of three separate calls – Regular Call, Student Posters, Lightning Talks

We decided to offer spots to presenters accepted for 2014 that were not able to attend The conference – agreed upon by affirmation

Discussion of giving preference to presenters within our region
Decided by affirmation that we would still seek highest quality presentation,
But in cases of indecision, preference would be given to regional members
As a means to encourage local participation

Motion to Adjourn 9:00am

Motion: Kim Wangler

Second: Jennifer Snodgrass

Approved unanimously