

**Minutes of SCASD
Convention Meeting - September 12 2014**

- **Call to order - Liz Tolman -7:45pm**

- **Introductions:**
 - Keynote Gretchen Wheeler- Casper College
 - James Weaver- South Dakota High School Activities Association
 - Executive Committee

- No minutes from last year....will have them next year

- **Treasurer's Report**
 - Leo Kallis moved to approve report as read
 - Andrea Carlile also moved to approve the report
 - Jan Bergen Gabor seconded the motion

- **Motion approved...treasurer's report passed**

- **No Old Business**

- **New Business:**

- **Outstanding Young speech teacher award - Presented by Tammy Voight, Watertown High School**
Award Winner - Andrea Carlile, South Dakota State University

- **Presentation of the Distinguished Service Award- Sally Pies, Sharon Pendergast**
Recipient- Ron Moyer (Several nomination essays were read. Ron was not present to accept the award, however he has been notified). The award was sent home with USD faculty.

- **Committee Reports:**
 - Association Name committee- no report . Will report out next year
 - Central States Advisory Committee- Liz went to meeting. We can identify panels submitted here. Can submit these to state advisory committee and they can be submitted to Central States Advisory Committee. Anthony attended the National Committee...presented memorial to James McCrosky and his research on communication anxiety. It was ranked number 1.
 - The next Central States Meeting is in Madison, Wisconsin in April for any who would like to attend. Talk to Liz Tolman

- The Journal – Karla Hunter spoke on the journal. 1st volume coming out. Those involved as a reviewer, or submitter, or copy editor were recognized. There is a call out for manuscripts for volume 2. The deadline for Volume 2 is Feb. 1, 2015 by midnight. No theatre submissions yet. There is a call for theatre submissions and high school educators. The journal is currently parked on the SCASD website. The URL is: <https://sites.google.com/site/sdspeechcomm/>.
 - Karla Hunter has been looking into self-publishing. It would then be available individually as people bought individual copies.
 - There are not a lot of state journals. This will give educators and students a chance to showcase their work
- **Meeting for 2015:** Leo Kallis - Huron fell through. Are looking at Sioux Falls and Yankton, Will let members know on the website by the end of the week which site works. It will be held on September 11 and 12, 2015.
- **Liz had an email from Jason Kurtz-** South Dakota Council of Teachers of English. He wants to know if SCASD and English Teachers may want to have a co-conference. Open discussion. Various opinions pro and con were offered.
- Ms. Bergen Gabor moved to give Leo Kallis permission have conversations with the English Teachers Association to combine conventions. Seconded by Anthony Wachs. Motion passed.
- Anthony Wachs has been maintaining the association website and is exploring ways to make it better. This will be an ongoing project with future conversations.
- Jill Tyler from USD was nominated by Josh Westwick to be the future President Elect. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried. Jill Tyler is the new President Elect.
- **Liz Tolman reviewed conference figures.** Total attendance this year was about 84 attendees. This was up from 71 last year. Some presenters backed out, however the convention was well attended.
- **Karla Hunter asked for permission to present specially-named contest awards.** These awards would be offered in honor of James C. McCrosky (graduate research) and Michael Fow (undergraduate research). The Journal will ask students submit research for these two awards. Karla believes this will help: celebrate the legacies of these scholars, bring attention to SD (where they started), honor their mentorship, and help bring additional focus to the Journal.
- Shane Semmler (USD) and Josh Westwick (SDSU) spoke for Michael Pfau and James McCrosky respectively.
- There was a second from the floor on the two awards. The vote was unanimous Motion was carried.
- Shane Semmler from USD has agreed to serve on the executive committee for the next two years.
- Leo Kallis took the microphone as the new president and asked for a motion to adjourn. Jennifer Bergen Gabor made the motion. Travis Dahle seconded. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 8:26 pm.

