

Official MINUTES
STANYS Western Section Board Meeting
June 6, 2018 @ 4:00pm

Santora's Pizza Pub & Grill, 7800 Transit Road, Williamsville, NY

The STANYS Western Section Board meeting was held at Santora's Pizza Pub & Grill. The meeting was called to order at 4:30PM by Tim Coughlin. The following board members were in attendance: Timothy Coughlin, Cheryl Aldrich, Mary Kay Flett, Sarah English, Rod Doran, Susan Sullivan, Jeff Arnold, Lowell Sylvester, and Susan Cyrulik

Minutes: A motion to accept May's meeting minutes as amended was made by Sarah English, seconded by Susan Sullivan.

Treasurer's Report -No Report

Membership Report - provided by Tim Coughlin

- 189 current members

SAR Reports

- Elementary - Mary Kay Flett/Cheryl Aldrich
 - Penn Dixie is hosting an event on Saturday, August 25 to break the world record for the largest fossil dig. They are looking for volunteers to help run the event.
- Intermediate/BOCES- Susan Cyrulik
 - 2 Badge Units were released on Nextgenscience.org. These storylines were vetted and approved as aligning to the Next Generation Science Standards. Anyone can submit their storyline to be evaluated, inclusive of publishers.
- Earth Science - Kelly Bohlen/ Paula Eisenberger*
 - No Report
- Living Environment – Katie Sugg
 - No Report
- Chemistry - Dr. Sarah English
 - No Report
- Physics - Jeff Salerno
 - Report sent via email as Jeff was in Kansas City grading the AP Physics Exam. He says that it is intense work, but very rewarding.
 - Physics 510 will be offered this summer, after not being offered last summer, from July 8-20.
- College - Dave Henry
 - No Report
- Retiree – Rod Doran/Susan Sullivan
 - No Report
- Special Education – Mary Ann Bolles
 - No Report
- At-large - Jeff Arnold, Rose Cianciosa and Lowell Sylvester

- 60 students attended the state science fair. There was one winner from Western New York. Western Section STANYS is being asked to consider helping with registration next year.
- STANYS conference sessions are scheduled.
- Science leaders event at Penn Dixie slated to happen on 6.7.18

Old Business

1. Website Updates - BLOG function
 - a. The Blog function is up and running. It has been populated with stories and photos of the awards dinner.
 - b. The website is being attended by those outside the organization. New Visions made contact requesting they STANYS promote their event in July.
2. Awards Dinner Follow-up
 - a. Strongly attended event.
 - b. Suggested securing 2019 date as soon as possible
 - c. Suggested contacting the place of work, of the award recipient, in advance to allow for colleagues to purchase their tickets in advance.
3. Rod Doran Legacy Scholarship - The scholarship supports practicing and future teachers.
[Donation Link](#)
4. Future Social Events
 - a. pushed off to fall

New Business

1. Announcement Mailer
 - i. Postcard will include dates for the following events.
 - b. EXPO- Tuesday, September 25, 2018
 - c. Science Leader Events
 - i. A survey will be created and emailed out by STANYS to those in Leadership in the region.
 - ii. Results will be used to formulate a Leadership Summit to occur in late winter/ early spring.
 - d. Mini-conference 2019
 - e. Awards Dinner
 - f. Highlight the Website
 - g. Future Social Events?
2. Paul Andersen - Digging Deeper
 - a. Monroe College, August 3 & 4
 - i. Registration for the event is closed.
3. Summer Meeting -
 - a. Tuesday, August 14, 2019
 - b. Hoaks
4. TI - Teacher Leader Cadre
<https://education.ti.com/en/professional-development/schools-and-districts/teacher-leader-cadre>
5. Thoughts, Prayers, and Well-wishes
 - a. Jeff Arnold for being in good health.

Next Meeting;

Tuesday, August 14, 2019 at

Hoaks Restaurant

4100 Lake Shore Rd, Hamburg, NY 14075

4:30 pm

Motion to adjourn at by Mary Kay Flett, seconded by Rod Doran

Adjournment