

Colorado State Science Fair, Inc.  
Advisory Council Meeting  
April 12, 2003  
Minutes

The meeting was held at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, CO.

Members present: Lucy Adams (RFD), Sam Bartlett (BOD), Al Bedard (BOD), David Clark (BOD), Nancy Gettman (ARFD), Bonnie Hames (BOD), Gina Holland (BOD), David Holm (BOD), Janet Klein (RFD), Jody Oaks (BOD), John Parker (BOD), David Pfuhl, Deanna Schrock, Jim Stevens (RFD), Doug Steward, David Pfuhl, Dan Van Gorp, and Courtney Butler (CSEF Director).

Members Absent: Mike Bemski (BOD), Elemer Bernath (RFD), Paul Cheng (BOD), Carol Crossley (RFD), Carol Denning (BOD), Bill Dube (BOD), Trudy Forsyth (BOD), Ed Geary (BOD), Oralia Gil (ARFD), Joel Gray (RFD), Val Havlick (ARFD), Jim Herrell (ARFD), Martha Iverson (RFD), Larry Jakel, Charles JohnsonCarol Kallevik, Patrick Keegan (BOD), A. Bill Kieger (BOD), Vishy Lakshmanan (BOD), Terri Lira (RFD), William Mallory (RFD), Gary Marx (RFD), Georgia Matteson (RFD), John McConnell, Bev Meier, Robert Morrow ( BOD), Jan Neger (BOD), J. J. O'Brien (BOD), William Pierson (BOD), Judy Prester, Sonja Ringen (BOD), Rob Robison (ARFD), Russ Schnell, Terry Scott (RFD), Jim Sites, Sherry Snyder (BOD), Robin Staker (ARFD), Linda Strine (BOD), Harvey Teyler (BOD), Laura Ussery, Harmony Voorhies (RFD), Amy Weich (BOD), Kristina Wenzel (ARFD), Courtney Willis (ARFD), Gary Wilson (BOD), and Marguerite Yowell (ARFD).

I. Meeting called to order by C. Butler.  
Introductions of all members present were made.

II. Working Committees

Alumni

➤ No report given as R. Morrow was not present.

Awards Ceremony

- The ceremony was too long this year.
- There was a discussion on the timing of the awards and it was decided that the order seemed good to keep the top winners a secret as long as possible.
- Next year, there needs to be no tolerating of applauses in between every student announced.
- Need to put the podium to one side on the stage.
- There needs to be a skirt around the tables that holds the awards.
- The stage needs some kind of decoration as it is very bare.
- Need to look into getting an ISEF affiliate banner to hang on the podium.
- Mark the floor with tape as to where presenters should stand when they come on stage.

### Display & Safety

- What is processed wood? Lumber bought from a hardwood store is okay. Wood taken directly from the tree should be sealed as it might have decay, bugs, etc.
- There needs to be one extra person at the Display & Safety table to take care of finding paperwork for students who have not brought their originals with them.
- Need to have blank forms available at the Display & Safety table as well.

### Photography

- Need to still look into fanny packs for the assistants to carry stuff around in.

### Publicity

- D. Clark sent the press release to 35 statewide papers on Friday evening.

### Registration

- Need to work on getting the registration process on-line to make the time needed to enter information into the database less.
- Moving categories was a problem. The students and teachers need to know about possible changes prior to the CSEF.

### Grand Awards

- We had 108 judges for Grand Awards. There were 4 no shows.
- The shuttles for parking worked well.
- Duke Russell was recognized for 40 years as a judge.

### Room Set-Up

- There was no report given as Jim Sites was not present.

### Special Awards

- There were 100 judges for special awards.

### Tours

- These need to be rearranged. Ashley is willing to coordinate with C. Butler for the next year.

### Scientific Review

- One project failed to qualify and was told not to come.
- One project was significantly altered in content in order to present this year.
- Human subjects project continue to be a problem.

### Student Activities

- The pizza party might not be able to be held after this year unless we can find a sponsor who is willing to buy the pizza from the vendor in the food court.

## III. Other notes

- The best paperwork award went to Janet Klein and Jim Stevens got the most improved paperwork award. C. Butler will send them a token of appreciation.