

I-ACT 2010 HASTI Meeting Minutes
February 4, 2010
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Attendance at HASTI Meeting: ~30 members

1. Old Business

A. Secretary's Report: Cathy Huss

- Most items related to planning for HASTI
- Meeting minutes available on the I-ACT website

B. Treasurer's Report: Heather Heinig

- Expenses for Fall meeting: \$52.89
- Dues collected at Fall meeting: \$268
- Current balance (not including dues collected at HASTI): \$948.48

2. CALM Workshop at IU

Cheryl discussed that CALM is looking for additional teachers for the second cohort of their three year NSF study. Email Cheryl if interested.

3. Spring Meeting

Primarily discussed at Board meeting after general meeting (see below).

4. Information from Purdue

a. I-ACT Website

- Zach Grigsby set up an **I-ACT discussion board** on the I-ACT website. Bill demonstrated the use of this free resource that allows members to share information. Bill will send out emails as information is added/updated on the discussion board. This will also be a way that the I-ACT board can request information from members. Bill noted that links will not be live and will have to be copied into a web browser.
- Bill reminded members that we have full control of the I-ACT website and additional information can be posted.
- There is a link on the I-ACT website for high school students interested in chemistry. If students complete the form, student information will be sent to universities and colleges that have chemistry programs.

b. Science Express

- Bill is working with Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne (IPFW) to start a Science Express type program for their area. They expect to be up and running within the next 1 to 1.5 years. The delivery area has not yet been determined.

c. Summer Demo Workshop

- Last summer, Purdue hosted a successful workshop that trained and videotaped high school teachers doing demonstrations that they can't or shouldn't do in their high school classrooms. Bill is working on funding to

run this workshop summer 2010. Once funding and planning is in place, Bill will send an email.

5. Elections

There were no new nominations from the floor. Paper ballots were distributed.

President: **Becky Creech** Harrison High School

Regional Representatives for Even Regions:

- a. Region 2: vacant
- b. Region 4: **Todd Crabill** Shelbyville High School
- c. Region 6: **Gene Crabill** East Central High School

6. Introduction of Officers and I-ACT Board

7. Words from our new President

Becky noted that with the challenging economic times that I-ACT should find ways to help each other deal with budget cuts, as well as communicate even when members not able to attend meetings.

8. Feedback regarding today's breakfast

- Overwhelmingly positive feedback on first I-ACT breakfast. Excellent food and opportunity to network
- Thursday morning from 7:30-8:30 am
- Funded by ACS and Purdue University
- ___ people in attendance. *Do we have estimated numbers?*
- Paul Smith, Purdue University Lecture/Demonstrator did demonstrations based on Faraday's history of a candle.
- Plans are to continue the breakfast as an annual event.
- Next year plan to advertise breakfast in the HASTI convention program

9. Comments, suggestions, questions...from members

A few members commented that they have not been receiving emails nor snail mail from I-ACT. If this is the case, contact Bill Bayley. Might also check to see if school spam filters are treating "purdue.edu" as spam. Changing to a home email address may also help.

Linda Monroe suggested that I-ACT produce a hard copy brochure that can be distributed to potential new members—something that can be put in their hand. Perhaps a tri-fold brochure describing I-ACT and how to join. It was noted that there used to be such a brochure. Copies could be distributed at HASTI and to chemistry teachers or student teachers at schools.

Bill and Zach brought the remaining glassware from the fall meeting glassware swap to HASTI and every last bit of it has been claimed. Bill told of the woman who started crying when she was able to take home needed glassware.

10. Door Prizes

Door prize winners selected. Prizes donated by Flinn Scientific (gift certificate & ChemTopic books) and Educational Innovations (Poly Density Bottles)

Meeting adjourned.

I-ACT Board Meeting held immediately following general meeting

Board Members in attendance:

Becky Creech	Cheryl McLean	Bill Bayley
Cathy Huss	Heather Heinig	Zack Grigsby
Jessica Berger	Annette Maier	Gene Crabill
Todd Crabill	Merle Calahan	Allison Nixon
Rachael Martindale		

Results of Election

- All votes tallied and Becky Creech, Todd Crabill and Gene Crabill unanimously elected.

Spring Meeting

- Cheryl hasn't received any response from IU Bloomington. Suggestion made to look for another host. All board members asked to make inquiries as to possible hosts. Doesn't have to be at a college/university although tours are a draw for attendees.
- Suggested dates are April 17th or 24th.

Summer Meeting

- All members agreed that Indianapolis is a good location for the summer meeting. Possible dates discussed included the first or second Wednesday in July. Date to be selected in the near future.

HASTI Evening Conversation Pit

- Bill suggested that next year, I-ACT host a Thursday evening get-together for those members staying overnight. Find a room at a restaurant or bar, provide a keg of beer and give members another opportunity to share ideas and network.

Sci-ed-ogram article

- Cathy proposed writing an article for the Sci-ed-ogram summarizing the I-ACT Hot Topics session. Cheryl, Becky and Gene agreed to help with reviewing article.