

I-ACT 2010 Executive Board Meeting
August 5, 2010
Prepared by Cathy Huss; Revised 8/11/2010

1. Welcome and Introductions

In attendance:

Cheryl McLean	Becky Creech	Bill Bayley
Cathy Huss	Heather Heinig	Zack Grigsby
Jessica Berger	Annette Maier	Allison Nixon
Todd Crabill	Racheal Martindale	Cheryl McLean (McCutcheon)

2. Old Business:

a. Minutes from HASTI meeting

- During the HASTI meeting, Linda Monroe requested an I-ACT informational brochure, something in hardcopy to hand new teachers, etc. Bill and Zach will start working on this or a magnet.
- The Sci-ed-ogram article summarizing the HASTI Hot Topics session proposed by Cathy Huss never happened due to no response from HASTI. Cathy will review notes and if appropriate, prepare an article for the Fall Newsletter.

b. Treasurer's Report

Current balance = \$1,148

3. Officers/ Regional Representatives- Who will serve?

a. President-Elect:

- Cathy Huss has agreed to accept the nomination.
- Jessica Berger is nominated as secretary

b. Regional Representatives

- Odd numbered regions are up for election at HASTI in February
- Region 1 – Cheryl McLean (McCutcheon) nominated
- Region 3 – Annette Maier is willing to serve another term
- Region 5 – Becky will email Merle and ask if he'd like to serve another term
- Region 7 – Racheal and Allison are willing to serve another term

c. Region 2 Representative

- Racheal nominated and Jason Corah agreed to be the Region 2 representative. Jason is a first year teacher who just completed transition to teaching after spending several years as a chemical engineer. According to the I-ACT bylaws, Article VI, Section 3;

“The Board of Directors shall fill all vacated or unexpired terms of office by appointment until the next election.”

d. I-ACT HASTI Liaison

- Linda Monroe will continue as the I-ACT Liaison
- She should be invited to future Board Meetings.

e. An updated officer list will be posted on the I-ACT website

4. Fall Meeting:

a. Date: Saturday, October 9, 2010

b. Program Ideas/ who is in charge?

- Equipment/glassware swap – First thing in the morning. Attendees will meet at loading dock. After swap, participants can load into vehicles, thus avoiding the need to lug equipment into/out of building.
- Breakfast – Bill Bayley will purchase with I-ACT funds
- Bill will work on getting Phil Low or another researcher to speak to the group
- Cathy will do a presentation on Chemical Modeling in Indiana, including an overview of the curriculum, lab activity and whiteboarding session, and discuss future opportunities for training.
- Lunch – Participants will contribute \$5 each for lunch.
 - Business meeting during lunch
- Labs with Science Express equipment. Teachers can show the labs they do in their classrooms or adaptations they’ve made
- Door prizes: Jessica will provide some crafty prize; Bill will provide “special” stuff

5. Newsletter:

a. Do we need a Fall Newsletter?

- Will do postcard mailing with magnet including I-ACT website. Postcard will direct teachers to I-ACT website to access newsletter. Bill will work on getting magnets made by Purdue. There are 948 chemistry teachers in Indiana. Magnets will cost ~\$248.
- Regional reps can contact teachers in their region after the mailing.

b. Who will write articles?

- Becky will prepare Top 10 reasons to join I-ACT
- Cathy will write Hot Topics, summary on Chemical modeling presentation, glassware swap
- Others?

6. HASTI 2011

a. Presentations

- Share-a-thon – Cheryl will coordinate
- Business meeting
- Hot Topics – Becky will coordinate

- Textbook/material adoption, will science courses without standards count towards Core-40, dual credit, CALM, other?
- Becky will contact DOE science coordinator Jenny Hicks and whoever is in charge of textbook adoption
- I-ACT Breakfast – Bill will coordinate
 - Last year, paid for 100 people but only about 40 people attended. Cost about \$2000. If pay for fewer, then there's a room charge. Purdue and Indiana Section of ACS were to share cost, although ACS has yet to pay.
 - Will get the breakfast advertised in the Convention program book
 - Invite ACS reps to breakfast. If they want to support high school teachers, they need to meet with us.
 - Consider charging \$5; either dues for I-ACT or fee for breakfast
 - Need to consider that HASTI attendance will likely be down this year
- I-ACT sponsored Speaker – Bill will coordinate
 - Someone like Phil Low or another good speaker to talk to high school chemistry teachers about their research.
- Prentice Hall Author – Linda Monroe will coordinate
 - Linda Monroe met Ed Waterman, the author of Prentice Hall Chemistry. Linda suggests that he do an I-ACT session at HASTI and/or a dinner session for a select group? Or perhaps the proposed Thursday evening keg session? Prentice Hall would pay his expenses and other? Don't want this just to be a promotion for his textbook.

7. Spring Meeting

- Kate Reck at IU Bloomington really wants to host. Need to check on dates with IU. Need to have a date set before HASTI. Proposed date is April 16th (April 24th is easter).

8. Upcoming National Meetings/I-ACT Involvement

a. ACS Regional Meeting (Indianapolis, early June 2011)

Becky will email Laura Slocum

b. NSTA Regional Convention Indianapolis (March 29 – April 1st, 2010)

- Bill is in charge of one of the strands (Inquiry, Technology?) By mid-August, the 4 strands will be set.
- Plan something “special” for chemistry teachers nationwide
- Have an I-ACT presence, share-a-thon, tour, build demo equipment, bring in research scientist from IU/PU/BSU for round table
- Keep brainstorming