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NJCSS OFFICERS MEETING
September 25, 2018 - 4:00 - 6:30 p.m.
Rutgers University
640 Bartholomew Road, Room 138
Video Link: appear.in/njcsslive

Present: Hank Bitten
By Video: Mike Catelli, Fred Cotterell, Christine Gehringer, John Khanlian, Mike Kenduck, Mike Lauricella, Katie Mahaffey, Mark Pearcy, Angela Smith
Excused: Kevin Bloom, Joe Orlak, Joe Dwyer, Arlene Gardner, Eileen Heddy, Mary Keller,

1. **Acceptance of Minutes from March 14, 2018**

2. **Welcome new Officers and Board members**
   Joseph Gilch
   Michael Lauricella
   Kaitlyn Mahaffey

3. **Treasurer's Report** Kaitlyn
   Savings Account: $25,000 MOVED FROM CHECKING INTO SAVINGS ACCOUNT
   Budget Committee (Nov) (Kaitlyn, Christine, Mike, Fred, Hank, Others)
   Request $6,000 to NJ Center for Civic Education for Mock Midterm Election
   Voted/approved: promise $3,000 to assist with costs IF the NJ Center for Civic Education does not obtain 60,000 ballots needed and has to return the $23,000.
   Voted/approved: Allocation of $500 to Angela Smith and/or Eileen Heddy to represent NJCSS at NCSS in Chicago
   Discussion on moving $15,000 to a 2-year CD and $10,000 to a 6 month CD (Certificate of Deposit) 2.5%

4. **President's Report**
   Teacher of the Year Awards:
   Elementary- selected recipient and Hank will reach out to the person nominating candidate to inform him of the recognition at the conference and encourage the recipient to attend conference.
   Secondary- discussed reaching out to members of our board for additional nominations
   Student Recognition Awards (Certificate, Letters, Awards): will post and announce at conference, this year asking for more specificity and limiting one nomination per teacher. Will announce at October 12th NJSSS Meeting also. Nominations due March 12th.
   Standing Committees - (November)
      Nominating (Joe, Mike K, Arlene, Fred, Hank) (Increase vote, Ballot)
      Membership (Kevin, Hank) Plan an event at WTC or restaurant to attract new members
      Curriculum (Angela, Mike C, Frank, Christine DeSimone, Hank) - C3 Framework for Standards, Best Practices
      Communications and Publication (Mark, Eileen, Hank) - Website, Newsletter, Journal
      BLOG provided greater traffic from members and non-members, but going forward need to either upgrade current account or open a specific NJCSS BLOG Site. Suggestion to advertise at Conference.
      Conference, Programs and Awards (Christine Gehringer, Kaitlyn, Hank) - Evaluation, 2019 Conference, Student Recognition Awards)
   NJEA Convention- Only Arlene going representing NJCSS
   Voted to NOT support NCSS First Timers Scholarship Contribution for Chicago Conference $300 requested

5. **Executive Director's Report** Hank

Membership 725
Website 11,700 visits last year
NERC 2020 North East Regional Conference (Boston)- need commitment from us by January (workshops, attendance or exhibitor) Suggestion to budget money for members to attend.

6. ***Teaching Social Studies Journal*** Mark and Hank

Excellent articles thus far. Next deadline for Journal 10/31/18
Requesting more elementary articles. mpearcy@rider.edu if you have any questions.

7. **Women 2020 Initiative** (100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment) Hank

Conference program advertising this initiative
Poster/art on women today; on-line voting; exhibit and guest speaker
Summer 2019 PD for teachers in three colleges across the regions of NJ, we would like to contribute.

8. **Annual Fall Conference** - October 22, 2018 (Monday) Hank

Status: 200 teachers registered, 35 Presenters, 35 Exhibitors- including 6 large companies
270 attendees- strong elementary presence (40) psych teachers (35) economics teachers (20)
25/200 reserved a seat, taking link off on 9/30/18
Hank will e-mail everyone responsibilities for the day
Ordering Staff shirts
The Times They Are a-Changin!
Registrations, Exhibitors, Program
Honorariums for Speakers $300 + $50 for travel
Day of Conference: (14)

Registration Table (4)
Multipurpose Room A and B – 1
International Lounge (2)
Fireside Lounge, The Cove (1)
Room 174, Center Hall (1)
Room 122 AB, C (1)
Room 115, 117, 118 (1)
Room 116 AB, 120, 122 (1)
Floater (2)

9. Theme(s) for 2019 Conference (Finding the right theme for K-5 + 6-12 teachers)

Discussion and Voting at October meeting
We the People – The American Dream: Past, present, Future
Voices from the Past, Present, and About our Future!
Living in Dangerous Times: Fear or Hope?
The Challenges of Democracy: From Ancient Greece to Contemporary America
Teaching Biography, Decision-Making, and Problem Solving
Best Practices: Assessment, Technology, Writing
Ordinary People in Extraordinary Times!

Turning Point Years: 1519, 1789, 1919, 1969, 1989

10. Best Practices Criteria for Social Studies Curriculum Mike Catelli and Hank

Overview of summer meeting and partnership with NJSSS and Center for Civic Education

Further Discussion at NJSSS meeting 10/12 and NJCSS meeting 10/22

11. Congratulations to newly married Katie and Mike! Best wishes on their marriage!

Christine Gehringer, Secretary