

PTRA Oversight Committee Meeting Agenda
Monday January 5, 2015 8:30-10:00 PM
Sheraton San Diego Hotel, San Diego, CA

Committee Members:

Pat Callahan – PA retired (term ends 2018), Committee Chair

Elaine Gwinn – Shenandoah HS, IN (2016)

Lillian McDermott – University of Washington (2016)

Steve Shropshire – Idaho State University (2016)

Robert Morse – Washington, DC retired (2017)

Larry Cook – Bismarck HS, ND (2017)

Ed Price – California State University-San Marcos (2018)

PTRA Director: Karen Jo Matsler

1. Greetings, Acknowledgements and Introductions
2. PTRA Director's Report – Karen Jo
 - a. Pending grants, yearly update
 - b. Summer 2014 Institute
3. Info from Executive Office – Beth, Bob, Janet
 - a. Current fund balance, deposits and expenditures for last year
 - b. AAPT/PTRA submission to Change the Equation
 - c. Any current plans for funding?
4. Plans for Summer 2015 Leadership Training - including request for funding
5. Any NEW information concerning current programs with PTRA involvement
 - a. Alabama (APEX Grant)--Jim and Jane Nelson
 - b. West Georgia—Bob Powell, Ann Robinson, Sharon Kirby, Bill Reitz, David Todd
 - c. Maryland (Frostburg)—Eric Moore, Jim and Jane Nelson
 - d. Idaho State—Steve Shropshire, Jan Mader, Duane Merrill, Lars Johnson
 - e. Oklahoma—Steven Maier, Brian Lamore
 - f. Fee for Service workshops
 - Wisconsin River Falls--Lowell McCann, Earl Blodgett, Elaine Gwinn
 - Penn State Altoona—Richard and Alice Flarend
 - Central PA Section—Pat Callahan, Dave McCachren
 - New York Section-Steve Henning
 - Others
6. PTRA Guidelines document to be acted upon by Executive Board (no vote taken at summer meeting)
 - a. See Appendix
7. PTRA website/ Social Media presence
 - a. Facebook Page: AAPT/PTRA

- b. Web Pages: AAPT.org and aaptptr.com
 - c. Instagram: aapt_ptr
 - d. Twitter: @aapt_ptr
 - e. #physicsfun2014
8. Long Term Plans for PTRA program
- Plans for future growth
 - Within the next three to four years our goal is to have at least 4 regional workshops, in various parts of the country, on fee for services arrangements.
 - A major focus will be on developing professional development opportunities for Elementary and Middle School teachers
 - Workshops would focus on unifying strands, alignment with NGSS and Common Core with literature pieces to make them more likely to be funded.
9. Other new business or items of interest.