**2015 IAAPT Meeting Minutes**

**which took place Nov. 7th at**

**Central Academy, Des Moines, IA**

The Iowa Chapter of AAPT annual business meeting started at 2:10 pm at our meeting place in Central Academy in Des Moines, IA which was hosted by member and past president Sara Karbeling.

The meeting was opened with a discussion as to where next year’s meeting would take place. It was presented that maybe a location in the western portion of the state was not as good as a central location such as Des Moines, Ankeny, or Iowa State University in Ames due to long travel distances for many which cuts down on attendance. Sara said that she would look into the Ankeny or Ames locations by contacting people she knows there. Having the meeting at Grandview College in Des Moines was also discussed and we were going to contact Paul Rider about that. It was also presented that a joint meeting with the Minnesota/Wisconsin chapters should be looked into for a future meeting. No definite meeting site for next year was identified as we were going to wait word from the possible central locations before the executive committee makes a decision. A meeting at the University of Iowa in Iowa City was set as our default location if no other location could be secured.

Election of new officers was held. Since Dale Stille and Craig Kletzing agreed to stay on as Co-Secretary, and John Zwart agreed to stay on as Section Rep. there were only two offices that needed to be filled. Those were Pres. Elect with nominees Ian Spangenberg and Matt Harding and Vice President (Two-Year Colleges) with nominees Eric Olson and Ben Rislow. Ian Spangenberg is our new president elect as well as current treasurer, and Ben Rislow is our new Vice President (Two-Year Colleges).

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved with motions by John and a 2nd by Dale.

An item in the previous minutes brought up a discussion as to whether we wanted to pursue a scholarship, exhibit, or some other form of support with our extra funds. A motion was put forth by Sara and a 2nd by Eric to fund Kristin Thompson from Loras College with $200 so that she could buy some additional Arduino materials for next year’s workshop that she will give. Motion approved.

The treasurer’s report was read and approved. Our balance in savings at present is $402.10, in checking is $36.55, and in our CD fund was $3800.94.

New business brought up a discussion about becoming a National Member of AAPT if you were only a local member now and some of the benefits that would go along with that, which included the periodicals, discounted membership for student, exposure to affiliated groups such as PTRA, PER, PIRA, AlpHA, etc. It was also mentioned that as a national member you could sit in or be a voting member on a variety of national committees and help shape the direction of those national meetings and the topics presented there.

Motion to adjourn by Sara with a 2nd by Nate. Meeting adjourned at 2:53 pm.

Dale Stille, Co-Secretary