AZ AER Meeting Thursday, August 23, 2018
4:00 PM

Meeting number: 804 233 208
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Attending:
Jenny Wheeler
Tamara Bishop-Amavilah,
Spencer Churchill,
Danielle Cummings,
Chris Hawk,
Julie Rock
Cody Franklin,
Garrison Tsinajnie
Sunggye Hong,
Jared Leslie

Not attending: Cecilia Onaiyekan

Roll call: Danielle

2018 elections: Tamara
• Treasurer
• Secretary
• Members At Large (3)
• Nominations will be going out

AZ AER session in Reno: Spencer
• 10 -15 participants
• It was successful

Advocacy committee update: Spencer
• Collecting resources and make them available on the internet

Scholarships update and AER member scholarships: Danielle
• We gave the Professional Grant
• We still have a Consumer Scholarship and a Student Grant available
• AER member scholarship
  o Sunggye can disseminate to the student group
  o Students and Paraprofessionals
  o Jenny will make a flyer with the details
Thursday night events at conference: Cody
- Increase fundraising
- Research places in Flagstaff for a fundraising event

Online VI resource: Cody
- [https://www.accreditedschoolsonline.org/resources/helping-blind-low-vision-students/](https://www.accreditedschoolsonline.org/resources/helping-blind-low-vision-students/)
- Agreed that we should add this to our resources list on our website

Vendors: Chris
- Contacted 100
- 3 have confirmed: Talking Book, AZTap, FBC
- More to come

U of A new students: Sunggye
- 8 total, multiple distance students
- Give him ideas for schools to recruit

2019 NBA Conference: Jared
- Detroit October 25-27
- 2019 conference in AZ at Pointe Hilton Squaw Peak

Membership committee: Cecilia (Jenny spoke representing)
- Flyer for special education directors to support their professionals to attend our conferences
- Reaching out to other states – Utah is interested and wants to be included in our events

Finances: Julie
- Checking $8908.52 includes deposit of $1100 for recent payments and AER, waiting on $1700
- Investment account $3970.32

Fundraising: Garrison
- Add rates, Full page $100 etc
- Sunggye asked about Amazon Smile

Fall conference presenters: Jenny
- Tom Persky keynote Thursday,
- Autism and VI, Early Intervention, Navajo Braille summer camp, Dan Brown, Vision Therapy, Parent Panel ONH, Student Panel AT, Aging out of High School, Humanware, Cooking and daily living skills, Smart Home, Data collection and application, CVI
• We can extend the deadline if needed
• Overflow can present at Spring
• Need more O&M
• Tamara: My Retinal Tracker – free genetic testing
• Danielle:

Listserve: Jenny
• Broaden scope and get more conversations going on our listserv
• Present a question or bring up a discussion on the listserv or on Facebook
  o Tamara: August
  o Spencer: September
  o Danielle: October
  o Cody: November
  o Chris: December
  o Sunggye: January
  o Jared: February
  o Cecilia: March
  o Julie: April
  o Garrison: May

Adjourned 5:18pm