

Minutes
Kentucky Economic Association Board
Friday, October 13, 2006

The meeting began at 2:45 pm at the Holiday Inn North in Lexington, Kentucky. Board members in attendance included John Harter, Gail Hoyt, David Eaton, Brian Strow, Tom Creahan, Stephen Lile, Chris Phillips, Richard Crowe, Tom Watkins (KEA Journal Editor), David Anderson, Bruce Sauer, and Amy Watts. Members unable to attend included Michael Jones, Talina Mathews, Frank Raymond, Bruce Johnson, and Chuck Martie. Others in attendance included Ali Ahmadi, Jeff Florea, and Larry Lynch.

Minutes and Treasurer's Report

There were no changes to the minutes from the December 2005 meeting. Minutes passed.

The Treasurer, Michael Jones, was not in attendance due to being out of the country. The Treasurer's Report was tabled until the December meeting.

Election of Officers

Nomination of Board Officers, President Elect: Talina Mathews, Bruce Johnson

David Anderson to speak to Bruce Johnson and Amy Watts to speak to Talina Mathews about the nominations.

We decided to circulate names and come up with an actual program chair for the next meeting.

Nomination of Board of Directors for Class of 2006-2009

Ali Ahmadi nominated by Tom Creahan
Monica Greer, Bruce Sauer to talk to her about nomination.
David Shideler, David Eaton to talk to him about nomination.
Bob Houston, nominated by John Harter
Jeff Florea, nominated by Chris Phillips

Jeff Florea and Ali Ahmadi were in attendance and accepted the nominations. The board voted and elected them to be board members for the incoming class of 2006-2009.

David Anderson was offered a right of refusal to return to the board and he declined return unless it was deemed that we would need him to fill the remaining spots in the class.

Date and Location of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on December 8, 2006 at 1 pm. Tom Creahan will check to see if the Corky's Hamburg location has a private meeting room and we decided that if it does that's where we'll meet because it's more convenient to many people during the holiday season.

Date and Location of Conference

The date of the conference was set for October 12, 2006 at the Holiday Inn North. Tom Creahan agreed to book the hotel for that date immediately following adjournment.

Distinguished Economist Suggestions

CEO of Outback Steakhouse Group
Brady Deaton
Cathy Anderson
Ralph D'Arge

Update on KEA Journal

Tom Watkins reported that it was a bad year for acceptance. All submitted papers had been rejected at this point in the year and as of now there won't be an edition this year. Tom Creahan suggested a conference proceedings. Everyone agreed and Tom Creahan agreed to send an email to presenters to ask if they would want to submit their papers for the proceedings.

Tom Watkins reminded the board of his resignation and that we need a new editor for the journal. Everyone agreed to think of possible names for nomination for this role for the December meeting.

David Eaton noted that as the board we should take responsibility for funneling papers to the journal.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Tom Creahan thanked everyone for their participation in helping make the day happen. In particular he wanted to thank Gail Hoyt, Frank Raymond, and David Eaton for reading student papers. He thanked David Anderson and John Harter for reading other papers.

Bruce Sauer wanted to point out that with the changes that take place at his company, he can't always guarantee that they will sponsor the best paper award. He suggest the we approach other possibilities in the event that E.ON can't provide the check for this award. He also suggested that sharing the award with another company might be a possibility for the future

Officers and Board of Directors of the Kentucky Economic Association 2007-2008 include:

President	Tom Creahan, Morehead State University
President Elect and Program Chair	Nominated: Talina Mathews (accepted) and Bruce Johnson (declined)
Secretary	Amy Watts, Kentucky Long-Term Policy Research Center
Treasurer	Michael Jones, Governor's Office for Policy Research
KEA Journal Editor	Tom Watkins, Eastern Kentucky University
KEA Web Master	Tom Creahan, Morehead State University

Class of 2004–2007

David Eaton	Murray State University
Gail Hoyt	University of Kentucky
Talina Mathews	Kentucky Office of Energy Policy
Bruce Sauer	LG&E

Class of 2005-2008

Stephen Lile	Western Kentucky University
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Bruce Johnson	Centre College
Chris Phillips	Somerset Community College
Chuck Martie	Governor's Office for Policy Research

Class of 2006-2009

Jeff Florea (elected)	Madisonville Community College
Ali Ahmadi (elected)	Morehead State University
Monica Greer (nominated, accepted)	E.ON
David Shideler (nominated, declined)	Murray State University
Bob Houston (nominated, accepted)	Eastern Kentucky University

Those members rotating off the board this year:

Class of 2003 – 2006

Richard Crowe	Hazard Community College
John Harter	Eastern Kentucky University
Frank Raymond	Bellarmino University
David Anderson	Centre College