

**ACHE Great Plains Region
Business Meeting at Gaylord Opryland Hotel
November 9, 2008**

35 attendees: Paula Hogard, Charlee Lanis, Davida Mahoney, Rick Wetherill, Jannason Long, Mary Bulla, Kathy Menke, Julie Weathers, Belinda Biscoe, Eric Cunningham, Will Jacobs, Carol Hoadley, Linda Berardo, Belinda Woods, Stan Greil, Jerry Jerman, Carolyn McKnight, David File, Jane Lauer, Susan Newkham, Tim McElroy, Dave Stewart, Jim Pappas, Jennifer Pfortmiller, April Paschall, John Matthews, Connie Beene, Robin Plumb, Walter Pearson, Roxanne Gonzales, Marthann Schulte, Drew Schaefer, Gary Heisserer, Kristie Torgerson, David Grebel. All attendees introduced themselves and signed in.

Paula Hogard reminded group the regional conference is scheduled for February 12-13 in Norman, OK and passed around information on conference hotel, the Embassy Suites. Conference is a joint effort of many Oklahoma institutions. Conference proposal deadline was extended to November 14; want variety of presentations by variety of schools.

Julie Weathers said Oklahoma State University marketing professor Lee Manzer will be making keynote presentation and he is well known for his energetic presentations.

Paula reiterated that this conference is a joint effort and all Oklahoma schools are invited to participate. Stan Greil is coordinating information exchange booths for schools that want to display information on first day of conference at no cost.

Davida Mahoney asked for count of those attending, in addition to count requested previously via email by Paul, to ensure conference hotel would be correct. Group settled on need for 30 rooms.

Robin Plumb asked that everyone encourage their local community colleges to attend conference.

Paula asked everyone to take a look at new Great Plains web pages (see link on main ACHE web site) and send in information we want to see posted. Region can create a newsletter if someone wants to volunteer to coordinate and members will contribute.

Paula said Bylaws need to be reviewed and possibly revised. Marthann Schulte and Jerry Jerman volunteered to take this on.

Paula asked for volunteers to host 2010 conference. Carolyn McKnight said Summit Center at University of Central Missouri can host.

Roxanne Gonzales said it is important that members reach out to tribal colleges with conference information and suggested Kim Winkleman present a session.

Robin congratulated Oklahoma State University and Rose State College for winning national awards.

Thank you,

Dauida M. Mahoney

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