

Los Padres CATESOL

Board meeting (via Zoom) minutes (Fri, Oct 2, 2020, 1:00 – 2:00pm)

Present: Terease Chin, Annette Flower, Nancy Kwang Johnson, Jillian Mullen, Randy Rightmire, John Robertson, Doug Smith

Nancy Kwang Johnson we already knew from her helping us promote our August chapter event on social media. Today she introduced herself to us as a potential member of our chapter and board, having last been involved in the San Diego chapter. Nancy has been part of a cohort drafting a position paper on racial justice, which may lead into sessions to offer at future events. The board brought her on as our Professional Development Coordinator.

Los Padres current website

Instead of eliminating our current website to save costs by deferring to the statewide website, Randy proposed to pay for it with a page devoted to sponsors. Doug and Nancy will work together to make that available, then attract attention of potential sponsors to give them an opportunity to work with us to make it happen and pay for itself.

Chapter Conference has been confirmed by CATESOL for Sat, Feb 6, 2021.

We talked about the format for the conference, whether to have break-out groups to give participants more options, or offer something more like what we had at the Alhecama Theater three Septembers ago – one string of sessions with everyone attending together.

We discussed having a plenary speaker, which John sees as being economical. Randy and Terease advised we should pay attention at the CATESOL conference to any speakers who are marvelous, because we might be able to recommend them to offer a session if not the plenary. Along that line, Randy wants those of us planning to attend the conference (Jillian, John, Nancy, Randy, Terease) to split up in terms of which sessions to attend, so we can get a broad range of topics to discuss when we get together again.

We asked Jillian to put out a “Save the Date” and “Call for Proposals.” Jillian showed us several possible graphics to accomplish the STD. Jillian will send out a STD, but save a Call for Proposals till we have more time to discuss specifics. Randy will ask at today’s CATESOL board meeting (Susan, Marsha and Anthony) if we need to clear the STD mailing with CATESOL.

CATESOL Education Foundation Auction

Monica Cueva is drumming up support for the auction with chapters contributing gifts to auction off, but not using chapter funds to do so. We all agreed to pitch in \$20, and Terease added \$10 more to get us up to one \$100 gift card, plus a \$50 gift card. (Uber Eats and grubhub were the most popular picks.) We should all send our portion to Terease via Venmo, or personal check, and she will forward the total to Monica / Margaret Teske.

In the meantime, Nancy (who is on the Foundation board) will ask if the Foundation has been dutiful in generating thank-you notes to those who contribute. Nancy will also ask Margaret how successful the auction has been over the years in raising funds.