## NEERS Business Meeting Minutes November 3, 2009 Portland, OR

Ed Dettman gave the Treasurer's report:

- Expenses: 12,946.56 Receipts: 14,936.00 Net Balance: +\$1,989.44
- \$500 Student Travel Award to CERF, Sarah Corman & Courtney Schmidt
- Status of NEERS Accounts as of 9/30/09
  - Total Business Accounts: 31,890.36 Total Student Accounts: 34,456.55
  - TOTAL: 66,346.91 (not including \$1,000 student travel awards to CERF)
  - $\circ$  Compared to \$60,356.46 as of December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2008

Tay Evans gave the Secretary's report:

- Meeting attendees for spring 2009, 127 attendees.
- Student Travel Awards: Laura Windecker, & Diane Charbonneau
- Student Presentation Awards: Sarah Corman, Xuefeng Peng, Emily Crescenzi
- Spring Stickleback winner: Sara Grady

Steve Hale presented the next meeting site shared with ACCESS in St. Andrews. (Spring 2009 meeting in St. Andrews – report from organizing committee)

- Pam asked what people think for preferences for date and place.
- Up to 7 travel awards
  - o 3, \$100 travel awards will also be given out
  - Woods Hole and MIT will give travel award too

Access representatives joined our meeting, Simon Courtney, past president, discussed date of the next joint meeting

- End of April may be in middle of exams.
- The meeting room would be free if we book up to twenty rooms in the . Huntsman - \$60 or Algonquin - \$90.

Discussion about the timing of the meeting:

- Poll last week of April vs. 2<sup>nd</sup> week of May (April 29 or mid May)
- April 29 May1 (no votes)
- 1<sup>st</sup> week in May (some votes)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> week in May (most votes)

Motion to increase student travel awards to \$200

All in favor – hands raised, no one opposed.

ACCESS is selling T-Shirts to raise funds for student travel

- NEERS talked about doing T-Shirts too