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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

Name of Organization: STEAM Subcommittee
Date and Time of Meeting: Friday, November 16, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.
Place of Meeting: Nevada State Library and Archives
Governor's Office of Science Innovation and Technology
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I. Call to Order / Roll Call

The STEAM Subcommittee was called to order by Chair Marissa Cooper at 10:04 A.M., on November 16, 2018, on the tele-conference remote site, listed above.

Members Present:

Alisha Kerlin
Candy Schneider
Craig Rosen
Jeneane Harter
Marisa Cooper
MaryJane Dorofachuk

Members Absent:

Candace Garlock
Laura Christian
Mary Holsclaw
Julye Neel
Meghan Schiedel
Sarah Gobbs-Hill
Sue Dehart
Tia Flores

Guests Present:

None

Staff Present:

Debra Petrelli

Tracey Gaffney

A quorum was not declared.

II. Public Comment (No action may be taken upon a matter raised under public comment period unless the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an action item.)

Marisa Cooper

There was no public comment.

III. Welcoming Remarks and Announcements

Marisa Cooper, Chair

Chair Cooper welcomed everyone that called in, but was disappointed with the light turnout. She pointed out discussion on these agenda items requires input and effort from all members of the subcommittee. She added that most of today's agenda items will be tabled until the next meeting when a quorum is present.

IV. Approval of the Minutes from the September 6, 2018 STEAM Subcommittee Meeting

(For possible action)

Marisa Cooper, Chair

Chair Cooper said this item will be tabled until a quorum of the subcommittee is present at the next meeting.

V. Discussion on the STEAM Conference and Possible Other Future Projects to Include the Survey of Statewide Arts Education (For possible action)

Marisa Cooper

Chair Cooper said the goal today was to discuss the upcoming NV STEAM Conference. She said the Eastern Nevada STEAM Conference was recently hosted in Elko and was very successful. She commented that the Elko community is hungry for STEAM-based programming for teachers and students. She said there is tremendous support in the classroom from the new Superintendent of Elko County School District, Todd Pehrson, as well as from teachers, parents, and industry. She commented that work is being done for the Eastern Nevada STEAM Summit to become a permanent event for teacher development in the fall of each upcoming year.

Chair Cooper discussed one of the goals for the NV STEAM Conference is that a group of teachers from every school district in the State participates. She added there is a plan in place to make this happen, but additional support is needed. She said she would like to re-visit this topic at the next meeting when more members are present for the discussion.

Chair Cooper pointed out there is a hard-deadline of mid-to-late December 2018 to turn in copies of lesson plans for everyone presenting in workshops at the NV STEAM Conference to allow for enough time to upload and make pdf's for distribution to teachers on-site.

Mr. Rosen invited all school districts to come to the NV STEAM Conference. He said Desert Research Institute (DRI), through a grant from Tesla, is supporting those teachers who will be attending. He said there will be housing for up to 60 teachers along with full travel stipends, including airfare, mileage and hotel. He said the hotel is already blocked and he is currently collecting names of teachers who have a shared interest in the conference. He added that further discussion on outreach to additional school districts throughout the state is still necessary to get complete state-wide participation.

Mr. Rosen said planning for the STEAM Symposium, the Southern Nevada event, which is well underway, and will take place February 23, 2019 on the campus of UNLV. He gave a brief update on the planning of this event.

Mr. Rosen added that registration for the NV Steam Conference, taking place on Saturday, February 2, 2019, can be found at nvsteam.org, for those teachers that would like to attend the conference.

VI. STEAM Subcommittee Member General Announcements (For information only)

Marisa Cooper

Ms. Kerlin, with UNLV Marjorie Barrick Museum of Art, announced a show in the fall of 2019, by a multi-disciplinary artist, Amanda Pebeo Depacia, whose background is in neuroscience and dance. She is doing an expedition titled *Connective Tissue*, opening on October 11, 2019. She pointed out it examines the many layers of connective tissue in our world. She discussed other projects that Ms. Pebeo Depacia has been involved with. She suggested this event may be a great resource for teachers to see.

Chair Cooper discussed the goal of moving the Southern Nevada event to the springtime, which would fill the calendar year more evenly; with an Eastern Nevada event in the fall, and the NV STEAM Conference proper, which is in either January or February, then the Southern Nevada event rounding it off in the springtime. She pointed out that other events during the calendar year will also be looked at to make sure these events do not compete or overlap with other events.

Ms. Dorofachuk, with the Nevada Arts Council, announced that new grant guidelines will be published with a target date in the beginning of December 2018. She said specifically Nevada Arts Council Grants will now target pre-K-12. She added that workshops around the state will be taking place as well to address these grants.

VII. Consider Future Agenda Items for the Next Meeting (For possible action)

Marisa Cooper

Chair Cooper suggested a calendar poll be sent out to all members for a date for the next meeting. The group agreed.

VIII. Public Comment (No action may be taken upon a matter raised under public comment period unless the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an action item.)
Marisa Cooper

There was no public comment.

IX. Adjournment
Marisa Cooper

Chair Cooper adjourned the meeting at 10:17 A.M.