I. Minutes prepared by Tara Jo Holmberg, Secretary 2Y Section

II. Call to Order

- Lindsay Carter welcomed the members and called the meeting to order at 1:11 PM.

III. Approval of Minutes

- Minutes of the 2016 business meeting in was moved to be accepted as is by Don Emmeluth and seconded by Dennis Gathmann. The motion to accept by and accepted by acclamation.

IV. Chairperson’s Report

A. Accomplishments
- Met with 2Y Section Officers
- Selection of Two-Year Excellence Award
- Revision of the 2Y Officer’s Guide
- Started collaboration with 4 yr section to form a committee to look at 2-to-4yr transfer students and retention in STEM

B. Looking Ahead
- Increased inclusion within the 2Y Section
  - PT faculty
  - Increased number of nominations needed for awards
- expand section membership and support
- need volunteers to serve on 2Y Committees
  - Awards committee
  - Adjunct committee – undefined right now

C. New Members
- ~18 new members

D. Future Annual NABT Conferences
- San Diego 2018
- Chicago 2019
- Baltimore 2020
- Atlanta 2021

D. General Reminders:
1. Prepare abstract presentation proposals for next annual conference (e.g., March)
2. Nominate colleagues for NABT Teaching Awards in early spring (e.g., Mid-March)
3. Other information

V. Board Report by Dennis Gathmann

- Website was budgeted for $60000 deficit but only ran $3000 deficit in 2016-2017
  - $400,000 in the bank currently
- Jackie responsible as well as everyone in the room for the success
- Individuals need to get involved
- NSTA is huge and truly diverse but NABT is the only truly biology education organization in the world and many ways to get involved; 2 year section didn’t always exist (Purdue U in 1983 – 2y section began)
  - Nominating committee
  - Archiving committee – highly organized
  - Member resources committee
  - BioClub committee can be for 2YC
  - ABT Journal needs reviewers
  - Conference committee – San Diego (tough assignment)
  - Retired members committee
    - Want to help out where they can!

VI. Old Business (List the names of the speakers and highlights of info presented)

- Stacey Kiser- Update GRC and DBER
  - 2nd GRC – strong 2YC showing;
Making a show about 2YC last year and now a vice co-chair
Place where we can have a voice on undergraduate education
Highlighting the need for more research at 2YC

- Susan F.
  - 50% of all students go to CC at some point
    - Academically challenged and tied to community
  - 2YC are important to country, society and community
    - We are voice for students, discipline, and teachers
  - Need to make sure voice is being heard – important messages and messengers
  - Make sure we are the leaders at the table when education is being discussed
  - Members of NABT; 2YC members along with 4YC
    - Need to be willing to step up
    - Pathway to leadership is convoluted for 2YC
    - Become more involved in committees
    - Reach out to other 2YC teachers – build the brand
  - We are the reps for biology educators at the 2YC level nationally
    - This is our profession and passion

VII. New Business (List the names of the speakers and highlights of info presented)
- NABT BioClub
  - Community Colleges can participate
    - $500 scholarship available; $100 from Carolina
  - No CC application the last 3 years - Chris Monsour
  - Does not have to just be biology, any life science focus.
  - “The NABT BioClub provides a number of opportunities for students, including outreach activities, the preparation of experiments, presentation of technical information before groups, and sharing information about career, technical training, and college opportunities. Students can also interact with role models in the professional biology community, and participate in national NABT programs.”

- Membership recruitment and retention

VIII. Announcements
- Come to the section open forum from 9-11 Sunday in Wabash Cannonball - Muffins and coffee!
- 2018 NABT Professional Development Conference
  - November 8 –11, 2018
  - Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Marina, San Diego, CA
- John Lennox passed away this year
  - 1992 Chair Boston NABT, stalwart leader of the section
  - Joint gathering of leadership after movie night to remember
- Stacy Kaiser recognized Lindsay for her leadership this year.

IX. Election of Officers - 2018
- Secretary:
  - Andrew Corless was nominated by Brian Shmaefsky, Betsy Ott seconded
  - Jerry Hinkley closed the nomination, Dan Ward seconded
  - Andrew Corless was voted in as Secretary by acclamation.
- Chair-Elect: Tara Jo Holmberg
- Chair: Katrina Marcos

X. Volunteers for Committees
- Awards Selection Committee (Andrew Corless, Chair of the Awards Committee)
- Adjunct Outreach Committees

XI. For the Good of the Order
- Lindsay Carter, current Chair of the 2017 conference, passed the gavel onto Katrina Marcos as the new Chair.

XII. Adjournment
- Betsy Ott motioned that the meeting be adjourned, Brian Shmaefsky seconded, and by acclamation the meeting adjourned at 1:45 PM.