Minutes
SASFAA Board Meeting
February 11, 2021
On-line – Zoom

Call to Order 12:04pm

Members Present:
Celena Tulloss, Bill Spiers, Joan Bailey, Leah Louallen, Sarah Baumphoff, Sarah Dowd, Marian Dill, LeighAnn Hussey, Theresa Mays, Ron Gambill, Keith Reeves, Wayne Kruger, Chad Sartini, Michael Birchett, Steve Smith proxy for Steven Adcock, Dameion Lovett, Maria Hammett, Michelle Standridge, Renotta Shed, Kamesia House, Traci Singleton, Danette Seale, Sherika Charity, Jacquelyn LeSueur, Heather Boutell, Shannon Jones

Quorum established, 15 of 16 present

Past President Spiers moved to approve agenda with authority to make changes. Georgia President Hammett second. Passed.

Secretary Dowd asked for edits to October minutes, there were none. Georgia President Hammett moved to approve minutes. Tennessee President Seale second. Minutes approved.

Round of Successes

President Tulloss announced that in lieu of the traditional Presidents Elect workshop during the conference, she will host a meet and greet.

Past President Spiers reminded everyone of the ongoing election and urged all to vote.

Vice-President Bailey reported her committee is planning the Symposium on Enrollment Management. The New Aid Officers’ Workshop will be virtual this summer, and span a couple weeks. President Tulloss asked to vote on fees. Training Committee recommendation is $125. Discussion followed. Passed.

Training Committee recommendation is NAOW fee includes membership for next year. No questions or discussion. Passed.

Vice-President Bailey opened discussion on honorariums as per the Policies & Procedures regarding contracts for instructors and curriculum coordinator. Discussion followed. Past President Spiers moved to pay instructors $200 and curriculum coordinator $300. Treasurer-elect Baumhoff second. Passed. Workshop presenters are not contract but gift. President Tulloss and Vice-President Bailey will discuss gifts throughout the year. Note was made to update P&P on web.

Budget and Finance Chair Dill reminded board members to review monthly statements and report errors or omissions, including if monthly statement not received. Legislative Chair Gambill suggested due to pandemic budget will probably be much less than projected. Good idea to explain in final document why association did not spend as projected. Notes will be important for historical reference.

Conference co-chairs Mayes and Hussey reported annual conference registrations much higher than anticipated. Could be double expected attendance.

Sponsorship Chair Birchett reported appreciation from sponsors for lowering of the sponsor level, and announced that the sponsorship directory is now available on the web. Thanked Shannon Jones for assistance.

President Tulloss paused the Round of Success and moved into New Business agenda item.

New Business
Board Changes -

President-elect Boyd has a change in employment. The full board approved an exception to the Policies & Procedures to allow a 30 day period to secure another position in financial aid before the board moves to a special election. Currently within that 30-day time frame.

Mentoring Chair Erslan has resigned due to a change in employment outside of the region. He is now at The Ohio State University. President Tulloss welcomed Heather Boutell who has agreed to continue the work.

Complimentary conference registrations – President Tulloss requested comp registrations for two or three board members who cannot pay for registration. Treasurer Louallen voiced support. Mississippi President Shed moved to comp the registrations. Georgia President Hammett second. Passed.

Making a Difference Scholarship – President Tulloss announced a change in the process for the scholarship. Awarded as door prize in the vendor area. Colleges should give preference to a Federal Work-Study student when making the award.

Director’s Summit Fee – the summit is limited to directors in order to facilitate more open and honest dialog and networking. Committee recommends $35 fee which will roll to next year’s membership. Discussion regarding bookkeeping requirements resulted in a change to $40. Past president Spiers moved to charge $40, with $35 applied to next year’s membership fee. Vice-President Bailey second. Passed.

Old Business

There was no old business for discussion.

Resume Round of Successes

Membership Chair Kruger reported membership currently down, but by end of year may go back over 1000. More than 1000 high last held in 2018.

Site Selection Chair Sartini reported on alternate arrangements for board transition considering current situation – want to have in person meeting but would like to try something different. President Tulloss can send out a survey to the board to see how many might or would be able to travel.

Global Issues Chair Mayes reported committee working on Black History Month posting to members.

Long Range Planning Chair Reeves reported nearly impossible to write a plan right now. Historical perspective allows for rolling old ones forward. Current plan was well written and complete, considering recommendation of roll forward with two-year review. Considering member survey; conditions may simply be too unstable.

Georgia President Hammett reported requesting conference hotel deferral to 2022; awaiting response.

Mississippi President Shed reported conference in June will be virtual.

South Carolina President Singleton reported successful virtual conference; over 200 attendees. Election in progress; dual slate for all positions.

Tennessee President Seale reported elections closing tomorrow. Virtual conference in April; registration opening March 1; free to TASFAA members.

Virginia President Charity reported virtual spring conference; dual slate for all positions; personal news, baby in late April.

Diversity Leadership program Chair LeSueur reported draft document submitted to state presidents.
Partner Advisory Board report by committee member Birchett. Shared screen view of directory on website. President Tulloss requested Electronic Services cochair Christian update color of links for clarity.

Tennessee President Seale moved to adjourn. Vice-President Bailey second. Passed.

**President Tulloss adjourned the meeting at 1:34pm.**