

Minutes  
SASFAA Board Meeting  
October 21, 2023  
Charleston, South Carolina

Call to Order, October 21, 2023      9:35 am

Members Present:

Daniel Barkowitz, Michael Morgan, Leigh Ann Hussey, Katie Conrad, Carolyn Sparks, Nicole Patrick, Gail Muse-Beggs (Alabama President proxy), Dameion Lovett, Kristie Teasley, Michelle Standridge, Heather Dearman, Rachel Cavanaugh, Zachary Christian, Jennifer Byrd, Chad Sartini (Virginia President proxy), Jenelle Handcox Michael Birchett, Michelle Hemmer, Jennifer Davis, Rachelle Feldman, Sarah Baumhoff, Joan Bailey, Celena Tulloss, Bill Ayers

Members Absent:

Cierra Smith, Ryan McNamara, Melanie Gillespie, Biz Daniel

Quorum established, 15 of 15 present

President Barkowitz welcome

South Carolina President Christian welcome

Management Institute was this week-over 100 attendees.

**Motion:** Secretary Patrick-approve agenda with authority given to President to make changes. Second: President-Elect Hussey second. Passed.

**Motion:** Approval of Minutes of September 11, 2023 meeting of the board. Approved with change to removing spare period before line beginning with budget. Passed.

**Action Item:** Membership Chair Baumhoff presented that members numbers are close to where we are from last year and that older membership records were archived to avoid paying a higher fee structure with Wild Apricot. President Barkowitz recommended that a policy be presented at the next meeting on how we handle old invoices that are never paid and archiving records that are 5 years or older.

**Action Item:** Sponsorship Committee P&P change-Table for next meeting

**Action Item:** Business Partner Advisory Group Chair Ayers presented that the - management institute went great. The committee has some ambitious goals of finding different business partners and there was discussion on how to find those. The states nominated an individual to sit on the committee. \$78,000 raised so far this year, 25 partners (10 come from the lending market). Sponsorship Committee Chair Daniels will be asked to put together a document for everyone to see who has been contacted.

Recess 10:36 am; resume 10:46 am

**Action Item:** Association Governance Chair Tulloss mentioned that a new gavel was approved for purchase and that she will take back up that project to get one purchased

**Action Item:** Equity, Inclusion, and Global Issues Chair Birchett presented that individuals have been selected, mentors have been chosen, and updated on the website; 1<sup>st</sup> kickoff meeting has happened; The committee is hoping to move up registration and selection process to move away from August; withdrawing action item. Diversity group participants are encourage to attend virtual board meetings.

### **Rounds of successes:**

During the round of success, board members gave updates relative to their reports.

Membership Chair Baumhoff will send another request to membership to ask for volunteers.

Legislative Chair Feldman stated that the committee includes appointees from each state. Committee members tasked with going back to their state and either surveying or questioning what the needs are. Planning Hill visit this year after NASFAA legislative leadership conference.

Past-President Morgan stated that nomination would be open soon for President-Elect and Secretary for the upcoming year.

Vice President Conrad discussed that during the Conference a Director's Summit, offered as a pre-conference event, limited as those who have 5 or more years' experience as a director or senior leader, will be offered. Converse University will have the contract for NAOW-June 2-7, 2024

Treasurer Sparks distributed budget as of today. Expect delay on reimbursements as Bookkeeper is traveling. Credit cards have been requested for those that needed them.

### **Recess for lunch at 12:00 pm; resume 12:47 with round of success continued.**

Budget and Finance Chair Handcox reported that everyone should be getting a copy of the budget on the 16<sup>th</sup> of each month; 20<sup>th</sup> of each month committee chairs should be getting committee expenses.

Conference Chair Muse-Beggs discussed that the committee is meeting at least once a month and planning is on track. They are looking for donation of brown bags for breakfast; 14 registered for conference as of today, cap is 450. Charity-Give Kids the World Village; 4 general sessions-24 spots for concurrent session, one block reserved for vendor partners

Site Selection Chair Bailey is working with Converse to sign contract for NAOW. A email will be sent to the board about booking hotel for conference. Discussed the possibility of moving the transition meeting to July 12, 13, 14, 2024,

### **Recess 2:13 pm; resume 2:31 pm**

Virginia-Chad proxy-regional workshops

Association Governance Chair Tulloss stated that committee will begin to review goals to strengthen goals. If goals were not submitted on the board report those should be sent to Secretary Patrick and Tulloss. Position descriptions will be sent back out to see if any updates or changes before approving.

Communications and Outreach Chair Hemmer discussed SASFAA 9 and all mentions in the P&P need to be removed.

New business

President Barkowitz discussed the Slack channel/NASFAA partnerships. SASFAA sent a survey to membership on how people would like to interact with the board and results showed members wanted emails with information sent, but not necessarily Slack. Some of the other regions are adding in a Slack channel through NASFAA's Slack channel, but individuals have to be members of NASFAA in order to use their channel. Not all SASFAA members are NASFAA members. President Barkowitz is going to work on creating a board version first and then discuss branching out.

Old business: None reported.

**3:00 pm adjourn.**