



Minutes Executive Board Meeting

March 7, 2020

Gaylord Hotel & Resort, Nashville, Tennessee

The board convened at 2:05 p.m. Central

Present: Denise Lujan, Meredith Sides, Dan Nelson, Carol Mueller, Glynis Mullins, and Annette Cook

Guests: None

Absent: None

1. Housekeeping and Welcome Items (Denise)

- Purpose to Update the new members
- Each board member gives an update to new board members.
- Discussion about keeping the conference call board meeting on the third Friday at 12 pm Eastern time for 2 hours or changing the meeting to twice a month for 1 hour.
 - Carol suggested keeping the 1 meeting for 2 hours but verified the 12 pm time remaining a good time for board meetings.
 - Board agreed to move meeting time to 12:30 pm Eastern moving forward.
- Discussion of purchasing a zoom subscription to host virtual conference call board meetings.
- Discussion of voting rights for Annette Cook
 - Discussion of pros and cons for the position of Executive Assistant & Conference Manager having voting power.

Motion to allow Annette Cook (Executive Assistant & Conference Manager) to vote

First: Meredith Sides

Second: Denise Lujan

Motion passed 4-0-1

Motion to purchase the Pro-Plan of Zoom

First: Denise Lujan

Second: Carol Muller

Discussion: Consulted with treasurer to determine if the organization can financially afford to purchase the upgraded plan.

Answer from treasure is Yes.

Motion passed 6-0

- Board meets with Emily Suh (Chairperson of Cultural Diversity Committee) @ 2:30 pm.
 1. Name change from committee to Equity, Access, and Inclusion
 2. Change from committee to network- visible presence at conference, support the work of the board, invite diverse speakers, and resources on NOSS website.
 3. Visibility, Transparency, Infusion, and Communication
 - a. Mentoring members (Diversity)

More Discussion which includes Denise wanting to create more opportunities to increase communication by setting up a variety of avenues for communication to take place.

Suggestion: Board members to update their profile by adding networks/committees.

Idea: Include a statement from a committee/network to update the board during the monthly conference call.

- Discussion of the summer board meeting
 - May or 1st week of June- tentative dates: June 4-7, 2020
 - Propose meeting in El Paso, TX
- Discussion of September meeting: this meeting is usually the site visit but a site visit for next conference was conducted December 2018- asked for another site visit. Answer was no (gently). Since the site visit will be omitted for 2020.
 - Suggestion to have September meeting in St. Pete, Florida.
 - September 10-13th, 2020
 - Prospective host for a NOSS conference
- Discussion of future locations for conference – Location Matters!
 - San Antonio vs Austin, TX
 - Austin, TX would be interesting for educators.
 - Board should explore northern areas of the country.
 - Board should explore going West.
- Discussion of December meeting
 - Location: Austin, TX
 - December 3 -6th, 2020
 - See if Austin CC has a space for December meeting (Denise)

2. Treasurer's Report (Carol Mueller)

- \$390,000 is the current balance (NOSS)

3. Conference Manager/Executive Assistant's Report (Annette Cook)

- Setting up the Zoom meeting for April 10th at 12:30 pm Eastern time (2 hours)

Meeting adjourned at 3:57 p.m. Central