

May 11, 2021
Full NCECA Board
ZOOM

In attendance: NCECA Board members Pete Pinnell (President), Merrie Wright, Alex Hibbitt, Michelle Castro, Nancy Servis, Simon Levin, Lauren Sandler, Brett Binford, Reena Kashyap, Edith Garcia, Heidi McKenzie, MaPó Kinnord, Chanda Zea, Rhonda Willers, PJ Anderson, Dina Perlasca, Jeff Vick and NCECA Staff Allyson Hoffelmeyer, Gerald Brown, Executive Director Josh Green, and guest Shoji Satake.

Absent: Ray Gonzales

7.02 pm EDT meeting called to order by NCECA President Pete Pinnell.
A quorum is present.

Announcements

i. Welcome to New Director at large and Student Director at Large (Pete)

The Board welcomed Dina Perlasca and PJ Anderson to the board. Both introduced themselves briefly and will officially meet and be introduced to the rest of the Board at the June meeting.

ii. 2021-2022 Board Calendar of Events (Rhonda)

Rhonda shared and described the calendar of events and deadlines. It is a living document that will be constantly updated.

iii. Collaboration and Engagement committee update (Heidi)

Heidi has put a standing committee together. The first meeting is this coming Friday morning to review the committee's charge and set mandates.

iv. NCECA Annual Exhibition 2022 Curator and Curatorial Theme (Brett)

A Curator has been chosen and the curatorial statement has been written for the 2022 Annual Exhibition.

v. Conference survey results review at your leisure (Rhonda)

The board may discuss these more at the June meeting.

vi. Green Task Force Report (Chanda)

Chanda reported on the extremely active Green Task Force and their work, including their recent survey to the membership, presentations for Earth Day, presence and content at the conference, and future plans for monthly programming around green issues.

1. **Reminder- Board and Staff reports due May 28th.** (Alex)

Business

1. **Approval of the Minutes** (Pete/Alex)

The Board approved by unanimous consent the **Motion: approve the minutes for the April 13, 2021 Board Meeting.** (Moved by Pete, seconded by Simon)

1. **Motion: to amend the bylaws Article VI. 6.2., A.(i) in respect to the Program Director description and responsibilities as proposed (changes to struck out text added in red):** (Alex)

(i) Nominations for the Programs Director will be solicited from the board and membership. Appointment of the Programs Director will be approved through a 2/3- majority vote of the board. The Programs Director serves a three- year term and may be re- appointed to serve no more than two consecutive terms. The Programs Director shall serve on the Executive Committee and shall work closely with the President and the On-Site Conference Chair in planning the general and specific aspects of themes, programs, schedules, and events of the Annual Conference. The Programs Director shall solicit program proposals from the membership and shall organize them for review ~~at the spring Board Meeting~~ **by the full board.** The Programs Director shall notify all submitters of proposals of Board action in a timely fashion. The Programs Director shall schedule program sessions and events.

The Board passed the **Motion: to amend the bylaws Article VI. 6.2., A.(i) in respect to the Program Director description and responsibilities as proposed**
(Moved by Alex, seconded by Rhonda, votes in favor 15, against 0 , abstentions 0.)

1. **Finance Update** (Reena)

Reena gave an overview of the recent Finance Committee meeting. The 3rd quarter ended on March 31, and after reconciliation, NCECA is financially in a better position than had been projected and the portfolio is doing well. Reena, Helen and the staff will work on the 2022 budget to bring to the Spring Board meeting. The board briefly discussed potential financial impacts of moving forward with future event days on the vFairs platform, as well as the upcoming expenditures of printing and mailing the 2021 Journal and Exhibition Catalogue.

1. **Motion to approve planning a hybrid conference for March 2022.** (Rhonda & Josh)

After discussion and amendment, the Board passed the **Motion: to move forward with planning a hybrid conference for March 2022** (Moved by Rhonda, seconded by Chanda, votes in favor 16, against 0, abstentions 0.)

The board needs to begin investigating potential technology needs for a hybrid live and virtual conference that will affect how the upcoming budget is calculated. The Board will discuss, plan, and organize more at the June meeting. This vote allows for planning that takes into account the impact of a hybrid conference both financially and in workload for everyone involved. The board asked Nancy for the Sacramento planning committee's thoughts on a hybrid conference, and she confirmed that they have been working with this in mind. What a hybrid conference looks like is still to be defined. A major cost of any conference is the data drop of live streamed content out of the conference center. CMI will continue to work with NCECA for live conference technology support. The board will discuss the hybrid conference in more depth at the Spring Board Meeting, looking at Synchronous components and asynchronous components.

Action Item: Leading up to the spring meeting, information will be gathered regarding costs and infrastructure needs. (Presidential cycle, Josh)

The Board went into Executive session to discuss future conference locations.
(Moved by Rhonda, seconded by Simon.)

Executive session ended at 8.12 pm EDT by NCECA President Pete Pinnell

New Business

MaPó reported on a recent Governance, Advocacy and Policy meeting that focused on how we acquire board members and help facilitate the creation of communities. She outlined the idea and benefits of working to create chapters of NCECA, to build communities and networking in cities across the country. The board discussed other organizations' handling of chapters and regional meetings as well as some possible considerations for NCECA's bylaws and governance. MaPó suggests chapters would allow for more autonomy and diversification of NCECA membership participation in the organization. NCECA should work to connect people globally and bring everyone to the table.

Meeting adjourned at 8.26 pm EDT by NCECA President Pete Pinnell

Thanks to Allyson Hoffelmeyer for taking the meeting notes