

Board Actions

Present: Lauri Kirsch, Shelagh Gallagher, Michelle Swain, Jonathan Plucker (*ex officio*), Paris Andrew (*ex officio*), Laurie Croft, Christine Deitz, Dante Dixson, Tracy Inman, Catherine Little, John Segota (*ex officio*), Kristie Speirs Neumeister, Jen Stancil (*ex officio*), Michelle Frazier Trotman Scott, Tamra Stambaugh, April Wells

Absent: Nancy Hertzog

Guests: Andrew Bassett, Lacy Compton, David Cutler

Lauri Kirsch called the meeting to order at 9:05 am ET

Consent Agenda

- Approval of November 2022 Meeting Minutes
- Approval of Rompiendo Barreras/Breaking Down Barriers for Gifted Hispanic/Latino Populations SIG application

Shelagh Gallagher moved, and it was seconded, to approve the consent agenda; MOTION PASSES.

Governance, Part 1

The board norms developed in September were discussed and revised based on feedback from the board members.

Community, Part 1

Shelagh Gallagher and John Segota provided an update about the partnership agreement with Supporting the Emotional Needs of the Gifted (SENG).

Paris Andrew, Christine Deitz, Lauri Kirsch, and Jen Stancil presented a framework and facilitated a strategic discussion for outreach developed by their working group.

Center of Expertise

Shelagh Gallagher facilitated a strategic board discussion focused on opportunities and threats for the association and the field as a result of changes in the publishing sector over the past 2-3 years.

Shelagh Gallagher provided an update from the Colloquium Working Group, "The Dream Unencumbered," being held at Morgan State University on Monday, May 22.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

The board discussed the quantitative and statistical analyses of the results from the Equity Pulse survey provided by the Diversity and Equity Committee. A qualitative analysis report is being developed by the committee and will be presented to the board at a future meeting.

State of the Association

Hannah Nixon from the firm of Flynn, Abell, and Nixon, LLC joined the meeting to report on the association's 2022 audit. The association had a clean audit.

Andrew Bassett answered questions on the financial update provided to the board in advance of the meeting.

Lacey Compton provided an update on the LEAP program and a preview of the NAGC Teachers Summit planned for April 25.

Shelagh Gallagher moved, and it was seconded, to move the meeting into Executive Session; MOTION PASSES.

Shelagh Gallagher moved, and it was seconded, to have the meeting go into regular session; MOTION PASSES.

Community, Part 2

Jonathan Plucker provided an election update. A special board meeting will be called in April for review and approval of the proposed slate.

David Cutler shared an update on activities relating to the affiliates, including plans for changes to the affiliate dues. The board reviewed a proposed update to the Affiliate policy.

Shelagh Gallagher moved, and it was seconded, to approve the proposed changes to Policy 10.2 State Affiliate Services; MOTION PASSES.

Governance, Part 2

Michelle Swain provided an update on the Governance Committee's work.

Tracy Inman moved, and it was seconded, to approve the new Network Role and Function policy that will replace Policy 9.1 Network Solvency.

Laurie Croft proposed a friendly amendment to add the word “electronic” to the section on Network procedures. The amendment was accepted; MOTION PASSES.

Shelli Frazier Trotman Scott moved, and it was seconded, to approve the Network Formation, Solvency, and Dissolution policy that will replace Policy 9.2 Network Convention Policy and Procedures.

Shelli Frazier Trotman Scott withdrew the motion. The policy will be updated to reflect the standard formatting for policies and brought back at the next meeting for consideration.

Tamra Stambaugh moved, and it was seconded, to approve the proposed changes to Policy 9.6 Network Awards.

Tamra Stambaugh withdrew the motion.

Tamra Stambaugh moved, and it was seconded, to table consideration of the proposed changes to Policy 9.6 Network Awards; MOTION PASSES.

Laurie Croft moved, and it was seconded, to approve the proposed changes to Policy 8.2 Organization Committees; MOTION PASSES.

April Wells moved, and it was seconded, to approve the new Volunteer Rights and Responsibilities policy; MOTION PASSES.

Advocacy

David Cutler provided a preview of the 2023 Leadership & Advocacy Conference being held March 19-21. Over 25 state affiliates will be represented.

New Business

The board discussed the possibility of creating a new awards category for student awards. A working group, chaired by Kristie Speirs Neumeister, will explore this issue further and return with a proposal in July for board consideration. Laurie Croft, Shelli Frazier Trotman Scott, Tarek Grantham, and Michelle Swain will serve on the working group. Tyler Clark, chair of the Awards Committee, will also be asked to serve on the working group.

Shelli Frazier Trotman Scott moved, and it was seconded, to adjourn the meeting; MOTION PASSES.

The meeting adjourned at 5:02 pm ET.