



NACPRO Meeting Notes
Teleconference
November 28, 2016
3:00 pm EDT

Present:

X	Steve Anderson		Scott Bangle		Larry Blackstad	X	Randy Burkhardt	X	RJ Cardin
X	Dale "Doc" Dougherty	X	Bob Fonte	X	Brande Hune	X	John Knight	X	Bill Maasen
X	Steve Madewell	X	Bill Mitchell		Reggie Moore	X	Jon Nicks		Joe Roszak
	Maureen Snelgrove		Travis Stombaugh	X	Mike Tully		John VonDeLinde		John Wicker
	Craig Zandstra	X	Dave Tyahla						

Association Manager: Brenda Adams-Weyant

Excused Absences: Scott Bangle, Larry Blackstad, Travis Stombaugh, Reggie Moore

1) Secretary's Report

a) September 2016 Minutes

September meeting minutes correction: Add Bill Maasen as attendee to board meeting.

Approval of September meeting minutes - Cardin made the motion to approve the minutes. Fonte seconded. Motion passes.

2) President's Report - John Knight

a) Board Vacancies

Reggie Moore has an interest in being Secretary. Dougherty made the motion to accept Moore's nomination. Burkhardt seconded. Motion passes

Knight confirmed that James Worsley is interesting in serving on the board. Adams-Weyant will follow-up with meeting info.

There is still one vacancy on the board in the 2015-2017 class. With only seven months left in this term, let's fill it only if a member steps forward with an interest. Burkhardt mentioned he had an interested party contact him some time ago, but this person has not responded when he has reached out.

b) Committee Membership

Adams-Weyant asked if any veteran award committee members would be willing to serve on the committee this year. All the committee members are new and could use some guidance. Burkhardt and Maasen volunteered.

3) Treasurer's Report - Brande Hune

a) Budget report

A full report was attached to the agenda email. We currently have \$36,636 in checking, and income exceeds expenses by \$4,255. Dougherty made the motion to accept the budget report, Maasen seconds. Motion passes.

4) Association Managers Report - Brenda Adams-Weyant

a) Membership Report

Membership count is currently at 151 and 6 sponsors. Taylor Studios recently joined as a sponsor at the \$500 level. We have gotten 20 new members since October 1.

b) 2016 Summer Meeting balance sheet

Expenses exceeded income by \$575 for our summer meeting in Long Beach. The food costs were higher than we budgeted for.

c) 2017 Summer Meeting

Adams-Weyant confirmed with Stark Parks that we can conduct our summer meeting at the 2017 Special Park District Forum. Maasen asked if the loss of registration revenue is an issue to be concerned about. Adams-Weyant replied that there will be a small loss because we won't have any revenue to cover my travel expenses, but award nomination fees will cover our award costs.

The awards ceremony will be the evening of Thursday, June 8 at the Gervasi Vineyard. The SPDF program has a tour planned and group discussion to share ideas and decide who will be the next host of the SPDF. Dinner will be heavy appetizers and open bar. Adams-Weyant will work with Stark Parks on the schedule for Thursday evening.

NACPRO will hold the board meeting Thursday afternoon in an open block on the SPDF schedule between 2:30 and 4:30. One hour should be sufficient. Adams-Weyant will work with Stark Parks to line up a meeting room.

Board members asked about the best airports to fly into. Fonte recommended the Akron/Canton airport which is about a 10 minute drive to the hotel. Cleveland airport is about 1 to 1.5 hour drive. Airfare at Akron/Canton is competitive with Cleveland.

d) 2017 Budget

Adams-Weyant will have the 2017 budget to review at the January board meeting.

5) Committee Reports and/or Business

a) Legislation – RJ Cardin

No progress has been made on the legislative platform.

b) Strategic Plan – Randy Burkhardt

No update. Committee will try to have a report for the next board meeting.

c) Awards - Doc Dougherty

Adams-Weyant mentioned that we will have the awards announcement out in early January. She asked past committee members if they saw any need to change the process. Maasen and Burkhardt replied that it is fine as is.

6) Liaison/Affiliate reports

a) CAPRA – Brande Hune

21 agencies were re-accredited in 2016 and there were 14 newly accredited agencies.

b) NACo - Randy Burkhardt

NACo is supporting the sale of federal lands back to states. Cardin asked for information to include in the legislative platform. Tyahla reports that NRPA has not taken a stand on this issue. Madewell said this issue has financial and operational ramifications, which NACo should be aware of. We should communicate the conditions that should be met if NACo is to support this issue. We should get some feedback from Western state members to inform our platform.

c) NRPA – David Tyahla

Congress has passed a continuing resolution in effect through March. It will be tough to maintain current budgets under GOP leadership. There has been talk about lifting the ban on earmarks.

d) SORP – Brenda Adams-Weyant

The 2017 National Outdoor Recreation Conference will open registration in January. We had over 100 presentation proposals for about 50 openings. The conference will be in Scottsdale, Arizona and Maricopa County is a conference partner.

Adjourned

Burkhardt moved to adjourn the meeting. Maasen seconded. Motion passes.