

NCSTA Board Meeting
March 23, 2020
Webex

Board Members Present:

Executive Board: Carol Maidon, Sandra Weitzel, Mike Tally, Brad Woodard, Mary Ellen Durham

District Directors: Cliff Hudson, Michelle Chadwick, Evelyn Baldwin, Adrienne Evans, MaryKate Holden, Tim Guilfoyle, Molly Barlow, Tom Savage

Other Members: Joette Midgett, Kay Swofford, Manley Midgett, Carrie Jones, Brian Whitson, Kim Alix, Tomeka Altman, Laura Lowder, Ann McClung, Brad Rhew and Alisa Wickliff

Members Absent: Ralston James, Carolyn Elliot

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:15 by President Carol Maidon
 - a. Carol welcomed all to this special called meeting to discuss our PDI for 2020.
 - b. Attendance taken
 - c. Quorum established

2. Carol asked for any additions to tonight's agenda. There being none was a **motion to approve the agenda offered by Mary Ellen Durham with Brian Whitson seconding the motion. There was unanimous approval.**

3. Consent agenda tabled - the minutes from our Web Ex meeting in March as well as the Treasurer's Report

4. Reports – Directors and Committee were tabled

5. **Discussion of Cancelation of 2020 Conference**

Kay Swofford shared information from Benton Convention Center in Winston-Salem.

- We have until May 4th to cancel our PDI
- Our case will be taken to the corporate office where they will determine if there is a case for cancellation
- Cancellation fee would be an advanced deposit for the 2021 PDI

- Joette shared the numbers for room and food obligation from us for the PDI
- There is a 50% penalty for cancelling
- It was mentioned that the facility and hotels are seeing other cancellations at present including Math
- Tomorrow Kay will check if we give them an advanced deposit, would we be able to get that back?

Where does the board stand on having or cancelling the PDI?

Discussion

Mary Ellen Durham asked if people will feel comfortable coming.

Manley mentioned that schools will be reluctant to send teachers as well as spending the funds which would be lacking given our current crisis.

Mary Ellen stated we stand to lose a great deal of \$ because of low attendance if we have it.

Others mentioned it would not be a good money year for us. (kind of a lose-lose situation)

Carol Maidon asked for any questions or concerns.

- Tom Savage made a point about the vendors that they would be reluctant to show up due to unknowns given a situation of large gatherings.
- Ann McClung stated it would be the ideal year not to have PDI due to economic downfall associated with the virus.

Sandra Weitzel made a motion that NCSTA postpone the 2020 PDI until 2021, the motion was seconded by MaryKate Holden.

The motion passed unanimously.

Sandra stated that this does not mean to stop the outreach to our members, we must do that.

Kay Swofford must let Floyd Isley, our contact, know to take our information to the corporate office for their final say.

2021---no conference if government limitations are still in place?

6. Carol Maidon asked that two Ad Hoc Committees be established to address
 - a. **Some type of outreach for our membership**

b. Possible ways to have an annual meeting of our membership (as required by our constitution)

Discussion on these committees included:

- Still have our Awards Ceremony in Zoom format?
- This could be in different formats, proposals would be needed, structure and outlines would be a must as well, length of time would also need to be discussed with this committee.
- MaryKate liked the idea of a small fee associated with a virtual conference.
- Presenters would need to upload their power points
- Teachers would have to be able to access all information.
- Length of time for the conference was discussed, a Friday night to Saturday, Saturday and Sunday?
- However, Carol Maidon noted we just voted to postpone our conference and asked again for the establishment of the two committees.
- The following offered their assistance to be on this **ad hoc committee to organize outreach to members**: MaryKate, Manley, Mike (volunteered to serve as chair), Tom Savage, Sandra Weitzel and Brian Whitson can advise or be a member as he wishes (he had to leave our meeting). This committee will come up with a proposal.
- Kay Swofford wanted to make clear that we are prepared to pay an advanced deposit for 2021.
- We next need an Ad Hoc committee to examine possibilities for **having the annual membership meeting**. The following members volunteered to serve on this committee: Carol Maidon, Brad Woodard, Ann McClung (volunteered as Chair), Alisa Wickliff, Brad Rhew, Kim Alix and Tomkea Altman.
- It was discussed that there would be cost due to the price of awards and there would likely be a grant needed.
- We need a goal set with a proposal from both committees. Carol mentioned that the board would need to approve these proposals. Manley stated that grant writing might be possible for both.

7. Suggested goal of end of May deadline on the proposals. Carol asked for suggestions for the date of our next board meeting.

It was decided upon June 15th at 7:15 p.m. as the next meeting date to vote on these proposals by the two ad hoc committees.

Committees can meet using the WebEx format just let Joette know when and it will be set up.

Carol will get in touch with both chairpersons.

- Carol asked for any other questions and concerns.
- Next meeting is scheduled for August 1st (WebEx or face to face-we are not sure)
- There will not be a November 4th meeting due to the cancellation of PDI unless the board decides to meet again perhaps prior to an “annual meeting” event.

Motion to adjourn by MaryKate Holden and this was seconded by Tom Savage.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Carol said we look forward to hearing those proposals in June.

Respectfully submitted by Brad Woodard, NCSTA Secretary