

An Affiliate of the National Association of Counties and National Recreation and Park Association

National Association of County Park and Recreation Officials Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 26, 2021, 3 pm E/ 2 pm C/ 1 pm M/ Noon P Teleconference

1) Roll call – Jeff Perry

X	Steve Anderson	Х	Kyla Brown	Х	Holli Browder	Ε	Eric Call	X	RJ Cardin
X	Bob Fonte	X	Norma E. Garcia	X	Sue Ann Kopmeyer	X	Tim Laurent	X	Bill Maasen
Α	Reggie Moore	X	Monique Odom	X	George Page	X	Jeff Perry	X	Joe Roszak
X	Ralph Schultz	X	Bob Smet	X	Chris Stice	X	Kent Taylor	X	Mike Tully
X	Jonathan Vlaming	X	Aimee Vosper	Х	Lakita Watson	Х	Jon Woodsby	X	Brenda Adams-Weyant

Excused absences: Eric Call

Guests:

2) Secretary's Report – Jeff Perry

a) Jeff requested a motion to approve the February 22, 2021 minutes. Motion offered by Fonte, seconded by Tully, and passed by unanimous vote.

3) Additions to the agenda

No additions offered.

4) President's Report – Joe Roszak

Joe was not aware of any changes or updates to the cancellation of the 2021 Special Park District Forum or affirmative plans for 2022. NACO plans to meet in person and virtually July 9-12, 2021 in Prince George's County Maryland and in Adams County Colorado July 21-24, 2022. NRPA is planning a hybrid conference in Nashville, TN September 21-23, 2021 and in Phoenix, AZ on September 20, 2022.

George Page offered to host the 2022 annual meeting in Valdosta, GA. We will discuss NACPRO's 2022 annual meeting options at our next scheduled Board Meeting on June 28, 2021.

5) Treasurer's Report – Eric Call

In Eric's absence, Brenda presented the Treasurer's Report. The report reflects \$16,575 in revenue, \$6,601 in expenses, resulting in a positive balance of \$9,974. Following Board action from February's meeting, Brenda transferred \$10,000 to a money market account as an investment to accrue interest. A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was offered by Anderson, seconded by Cardin, and passed by unanimous vote.

- 6) Executive Director's Report Brenda Adams-Weyant
 - a) Membership Report Brenda reported NACPRO is currently 228 regular members, 2 retirees, and 3 sponsors which is 48 more member relative to last year, reflecting a positive upward trend in membership. There were 19 members who did not renew this year.

7) Committee Reports/Business

- a) Social Justice Joe Roszak reported that the Committee came up with the idea to create an online forum/webinar to share best practices on what NACPRO agencies are doing in social justice. The Committee will continue to meet to formulate a structure and action plan that will be shared at a future meeting for review and comment.
- b) Legislation RJ Cardin has attended a few legislative meetings with NRPA, NACO (Jonathan), and Kent Taylor on Trails. RJ would like to formulate a package of shared priorities and have a roundtable discussion June before finalizing NACPRO's platform in July. There was also some discussion surrounding the Infrastructure Bill and American Recover Act and if, when, and for what purpose park agencies will have access to these funds. A common theme was to use the Recovery Act for lost revenues. In addition, LA County is pursuing some of the funding for social equity programs and youth employment programs.
 - RJ has been asked to sit on the Legislative/Advocacy committees from NRPA and the American Academy for Park and Recreation Administration.
- c) Awards Monique Odom thanked the Awards Committee for their work in discussing and evaluating 116 nominations. Based on selection process there will about 40 awards. The Committee plans to send the final recommendations to Brenda at the end of April and will start developing the presentation.
 - There were 5 submittals in the Social Justice category that Joe would like to review for the best practice social justice committee project.
 - George suggested consideration of Young Professional Award category. Monique also indicated that the Committee will review the selection criteria and provide suggestions for next year.
- d) Nominations Mike Tully has been actively communicating with all Board Members whose terms expire this year and was happy to report that everyone will be extending their terms for another 2-years of service. In addition, Mike secured commitments from the current Treasurer and Secretary to extend their executive roles, recruited Aimee Vosper as next Vice President, Joe will transition to Past President, Holly will be President, and Monique will become President Elect. There will be formal action on this transition at the June meeting.

8) Liaison/Affiliate reports

- a) NACo Jonathan Vlaming reported he sat in on a NACo legislative meeting in March and he is attempting to get on the Committee so NACPRO has a voice. Jonathan has been selected to serve on a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Task Force over the next year and will be talking to board members about their policies and practices.
- b) NRPA Reggie Moore No report.
- c) CAPRA Holli Browder reported a major focus for CAPRA has been on education and training for everyone involved. Accreditation requests have been steady with many challenges to work through. The process has been fair and honest.

Holli's CAPRA term expires in August and a new liaison to CAPRA is needed from the NACPRO Board. The term is 3-years and you can service up to 2 terms. If interested, please contact Joe, Brenda, or Holli ASAP.

9) Open Forum/Roundtable Discussion

Several agencies voiced concern about the lack of applications for seasonal employment and the implications to service delivery and ability to keep select facilities open for business as usual. Some agencies are having to increase budgets, reduce hours, close facilities, and repurpose traditional uses. The seasonal employment issue goes well beyond the public parks sector into many other areas of the economy. Norma reported that they are working with local community colleges and seeking creative solutions.

10) Adjourn

Vosper made a motion to adjourn that was seconded by Maasen and the meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting

Monday, June 28, 2021, 3 pm E/ 2 pm C/ 1 pm M/ Noon P Teleconference