



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

NACPRO Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 22, 2023, 11:45 to 1:45 pm, Central Time
Timothy O'Toole's Restaurant
Libertyville, Illinois

1) Introductions

	Vacant		Holli Browder	X	Kyla Brown		RJ Cardin	X	Paul Connell
	Norma E. Garcia		Tim Laurent	X	Bill Maasen		Reggie Moore	X	Tim Morgan
	Monique Odom		George Page	X	Todd Palmeter	X	Jeff Perry	X	Reed Richard
	Nicole Rissler	X	Joe Roszak	X	Ralph Schultz		Chris Stice		Kent Taylor
X	Mike Tully	X	Jonathan Vlaming	X	Aimee Vosper		Jon Woodsby	X	Brenda Adams-Weyant

Excused absences:

Guests: Alex Ty Kovach, Rebekah Snyder, Robert Williams

2) Additions to the Agenda

- a) Schedule for Special Park District Forum – Todd Palmeter
 - 2024 - Three Rivers Park District (MN)
 - 2025 - Oakland County Parks (MI)
 - 2026 - Metro Parks & Nature (Oregon, co-hosts with Tualatin Hills P&RD, North Clackamas P&RD)
 - 2027 - Great Parks of Hamilton County (OH)
 - 2028 - Charleston County Parks (SC)
 - 2029 - Toledo Metroparks (OH)
 - 2030 - Not confirmed, on hold are Vancouver (Canada), Monmouth County Park System (NJ), Johnson County Park & Recreation District (KS)
 - 2031 - Cleveland Metroparks (OH)

3) 2023-24 Slate of Candidates – Aimee Vosper

- a) Ms. Vosper presented the slate of candidates. Motion by Kyla Brown, seconded by Ralph Schultz. Motion approved unanimously
- b) The slate did not include nominations for the Vice President and Secretary. Paul Connell volunteered to serve as Secretary. Motion by Tim Morgan, seconded by Jeff Perry. Motion approved unanimously.
- c) Reed Richard tentatively volunteered for Vice President, approval was tabled until August meeting to give Reed time to consider and learn more.

4) Secretary's Report – Brenda Adams-Weyant

- a) Ms. Adams-Weyant requested a motion to approve the April 24, 2023 minutes. Motion by Bill Maasen, seconded by Jonathan Vlaming. Motion approved unanimously.

5) President's Report – Aimee Vosper

- a) Look over the list of committees and let Brenda know what you want to serve on.

6) Executive Director's Report – Brenda Adams-Weyant

- a) Ms. Adams-Weyant presented the Treasurer's report. Motion to approve by Tim Morgan, seconded by Mike Tully. Motion passed unanimously.
- b) Membership report: Associate Members: 7, Professional Members: 269, Retiree: 2, Sponsors: 2
- c) 2024 Summer Meeting: San Diego May 31 – June 3. Ms. Adams-Weyant requested approval to sign the lodging/event space contract with Courtyard San Diego Old Town. Motion by Paul Connell, seconded by Bill Maasen. Motion approved unanimously.
- d) 2025 meeting options: Bill Maasen suggested meeting more often with the Special Park District Forum. NACPRO has more in common with this group. NACo will be in Philadelphia, Forum in Oakland County Parks, MI, NRPA is in Orlando.

7) Committee Reports/Business

- a) Professional Education – Jeff Perry will work with Brian Albright on developing the 2024 annual meeting program.
- b) Legislation – Rebekah Snyder
 - Resolutions 1-5 are resubmissions from last year with few changes.
 - Resolution 6: NACo encourages the National Park Service to work with state, regional, county and local LWCF providers to define reasonable access, recreational development timeframe requirements, and small acreage conversion requirements.
 - Resolution 7: NACo encourages the Executive Branch to reduce match requirements for federal environmental restoration programs from 50% to 20%
 - Resolution 8: NACo encourages the Executive Branch to recognize the value of land stewardship through doubling the public land value credit for the local match in environmental restoration grant programs.
 - Resolution 9: NACo Supports the Outdoors For All Act (HR 1065) or similar bill.
 - Motion to approve resolutions by Kyla Brown, seconded by Rebekah Snyder. Motion approved unanimously. Motion by Rebekah Snyder to authorize Jonathan to negotiate with NACo on NACPRO resolutions. Seconded by Jeff Perry. Motion approved unanimously.
- c) Membership – Brenda Adams-Weyant
 - Will meet this summer to discuss recruitment strategies

8) Liaison/Affiliate reports

- a) NACo - Jonathan Vlaming
 - Proposal to work with NACo to develop an "Outdoor Recreation Counties subcommittee within the Public Lands Steering Committee to give additional focus and attention to the unique issues facing gateway counties of major federal public lands and tourism attractions. Opportunities to provide speakers on issues to raise awareness. Would be populated by other NACo members. No big demand of NACPRO's time. The Board was supportive about pursuing this.
- b) CAPRA – Jon Woodsby sent updates – included in the board packet.
 - a. Joe Roszak mentioned that he participated in a virtual visit via facetime. Poor substitute for being there in person.
- c) NRPA – No report

9) Open Forum/Roundtable Discussion

Thanks to Lake County Forest Preserves for a great Special Park District Forum, and for hosting the NACPRO awards banquet and board meeting.

10) Next Meetings

August 28, teleconference

October 30, teleconference

December 18, teleconference