

South Carolina Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators



2017-18 Executive Board Meeting

Sunday March 25, 2018

Sonesta Resort

Hilton Head, SC

Present

Elizabeth Milam
Jennifer Williams
DJ Wetzel
Zach Christian
Katie Harrison
Angela Fowler
Kisha Howze
Kelly Savoie
Missy Perry
Melanie Gillespie
Kevin Perry
Samantha Hicks
Traci Singleton
Ray Jones

Meeting

President Williams called the 2017-18 Executive Board meeting agenda to order at 6:48pm. A quorum was established with a majority of the voting members present.

Action Item: Approval of Agenda with authority given to the President to make changes as needed in order to facilitate the flow of business. Zach Christian motioned to approve the agenda and Kisha Howze seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Item: Approval of January 2018 meeting minutes. Katie Harrison motioned to approve, seconded by Angela Fowler.

Old Business: There was no old business to report.

Report of Officers

Jennifer Williams – President

President Williams thanks Elizabeth Milam for her hard work in performing the duties of being the conference chair. We are in the middle of transitioning to a Fall conference, which means that we have a shorter conference, and also two conferences in the calendar year. President Williams is excited about the changes that will happen over the next few days, and is thankful for all of the hard work that has gone into making this conference a success.

Kevin Perry – Past President

Polls are open for the slate of candidates for 2018-2019 and they close on 5pm on Tuesday. As of today, 40% of total membership has already submitted a vote for a candidate in 2018-2019.

Missy Perry – Vice President and Professional Development

New and Intermediate Aid workshops happened and 41 attendees came. All have paid. A survey was attached in the Board Report, and were generally very positive. Leadership Symposium, with a focus on customer service, will be held at the Piedmont Tech Newberry campus.

Kisha Howze – President Elect and Special Projects

Emailed association for the charity challenge of raising money for bags of dog food and litter, with SWU being the winner and have received a paid conference registration. Kisha Howze, attended a pre-con workshop for president-elect workshop and a NASFAA leadership workshop. Kisha is looking forward to being President in 2018-2019. Kisha did not make any hill visits during her time in Washington D.C. President Williams asked that she give an update on the food drive for the opening business meeting. Kisha is working on the transition meeting in June for the 2018-2019 conference.

DJ Wetzel – Secretary

Will send January board meeting minutes to Zach for posting to the web. 2017 Annual Business Meeting minutes have been distributed to the association.

Traci Singleton – Treasurer

The balance sheet and budget vs. actuals are on track. Will need to move approximately \$10,000 aging in receivables to have enough to cover. \$258,850.61 is current assets to date.

Angela Fowler – Treasurer Elect

Payments are still coming in but everything is up to date. \$10,000 is still outstanding for the conference and anticipate collecting some funds tomorrow during check-in. There is no way to stop a non-paid member from registering from the conference.

Samantha Hicks – Member at Large

As of March 25th, 377 active paid members, 52 are New, and half of them are not new in the financial aid profession. Has worked in say in touch with all new members and has gotten very good feedback. New attendee meet and greet is being held on the 26th and have been asked to find SCASFAA current leadership. This is the year to survey the membership and the goal is to get the survey out by the end of April. Will poll the SCASFAA leadership on the best questions to ask.

Committee Reports

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Cindy Peachey – Advisory to CHE

Not present. Board report is attached.

Carla Brewer – Communications

Not present. Board report is attached.

Kelly Savoie – Consumer Counselor Relations

SCASFAA has received some great feedback on the consumer relation webinars. Valencia college is schedule to do another webinar.

Zach Christian – Electronic Services

Discussion was held on web domains. Domain renewal was approved unanimously, along with the purchase of the proper security.

Earl Mayo – Financial Planning

Not present.

Gerrick Hampton – Global Issues

Not present. Report is attached. Poverty simulation volunteers were recruited for the event at the conference.

Joey Derrick – Legislative Relations

Not present. Report is attached.

Ray Jones – Loan Agency Liaison

SCSLC has no news for 2018-2019 school year. SCSCCL is working on a rural health forgivable loan program for the state of S.C.

Elizabeth Milam – Conference

Elizabeth shared that conference details are coming together very well and the hotel has been very responsive. Great national and state sessions are being held, along with many local sessions. Kevin discussed the Family Fued event and how this would be facilitated. The 50/50 drawing winner will get half of the cash. At the recommendation of the financial committee, we have receipt books for any cash payments.

Aria Simmons – Site Selection

Not present. Report is attached.

Discussion: Post conference survey. We anticipate negative feedback due to the new schedule, and are anxious about how new attendees will perceive the new schedule. Survey will be sent out after the conference.

Katie Harrison – Association Involvement and Leadership Task Force

Board report is attached.

Melanie Gillespie – Sponsorship

Sponsorship report is attached. \$28,800 has been raised from 15 different sponsors for 2018-2019.

Kyle Phillips – Long Range Planning

Not present. Report is attached.

New Business

President Williams asked all of the executive board to sign the canvas, so we can raffle this off in the silent auction. We have t-shirts, that Kyle Phillips printed. President Williams gave the t-shirts as a 'Thank you!' for the Board's hard work this year.

Announcements and Closing Remarks

Kisha is planning the transitional board meeting. President Williams thanked the board for their attendance and service, announced that the annual conference will begin tomorrow at 1pm. The executive board meeting meeting was convened at 8:38pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

DJ Wetzel
2017-2018 SCASFAA Secretary