

South Carolina Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators



2022-23 Executive Board Meeting, Transition Day 2

06/07/2022

Piedmont Technical College, Newberry Campus

Present

Zach Christian	Holly Gilliam	Carolyn Sparks
Melanie Gillespie	Adam Ghiloni	Michelle Upchurch
Kyle Wade	Elizabeth Milam	Missy Perry
Nicole Brownlow	Jernitha Smith	Tosh Greathree
Joey Derrick	Sarah Dowd	Bridgett Blackwell

Meeting

Madame President Missy Perry called the 2022-2023 Executive Board Meeting agenda to order at 9:11 AM. A quorum was established.

Action Item: Approval of Agenda with authority given to the President to make changes as needed in order to facilitate the flow of business. All members in agreement to continue.

Approve Agenda

Joey Derrick moved to approve, Holly Gilliam seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Item: Approval of non-standing committees.

Zach Christian moved to approve, and Carolyn seconded the motion, which carried.

There was no old business to report.

Report of Officers

President – Missy Perry reported – The 2022-2023 theme will be Compassion and Action. The logo is heart with two hands around it. She wants to focus on passion because so much is going on in the world right now. The charity she has chosen is Bow and Arrow Center of Hope, Mental Health Carolina Foundation.

Missy plans to attend the SASFAA Transition meeting June 10-13, 2022.

SASFAA New Aid Workshop will be June 19-24, 2022, at Wofford College. 120 people have signed up, 19 are from SC.

Missy went over the Board Duties and Responsibilities

She welcomed all new members. She asked that everyone remember you are representing not only school but our association, always be professional. Be sure to review your portion of the P&P. Submit board reports at least one week before each meeting to the secretary, Danielle Rymer.

Send all action items to Missy for the next meeting as it comes up.

Be sure you are mindful of spending when making purchases for the association.

Missy asked Melanie Gillespie to go over the Parliamentary Procedures for those new to board and as refresher for returning board members.

Past President/ Long Range Plan– Carolyn Sparks – her main responsibility is the elections process. She is responsible for getting a slate of candidates for the elected officials. She asked that everyone start thinking now of anyone they think would be a good candidate. She would like to have a slate by September 15 to announce at the conference. The **Long-Range Plan** goes through 2024. Carolyn will review to be sure we are following.

Vice President/ Professional Development – Adam Ghiloni – Adam is excited for everything he has planned for this year. He has general topics to cover in workshops and webinars. He plans to continue the book club offering. He has not decided on how many to do at this time.

President Elect/Special Projects – Zach Christian reported – One of the things he wants to work on for special projects this year is to have the charity fundraising to span throughout the year instead of just at the conference. He plans to partner with a few other board members to decide how to do this. May is Mental Health Awareness month. He is super excited about preparing for the next year as president.

Secretary/ By Laws – Danielle Rymer -not in attendance. Missy has asked Michelle Upchurch to take the minutes. Missy also asked everyone to sign the Conflict-of-Interest Form.

Treasurer/ Budget – Regina Hailey Smith – not in attendance. Missy let everyone know that Regina will be getting the budgets out soon so everyone to look over and get back to her with any requests for increase. There will be a meeting held to approve the budget, probably via Zoom.

Treasurer/Elect - Michelle Upchurch – Michelle is looking forward to working with Regina and Elizabeth.

Member At Large / Volunteer– Jernitha Smith – Jernitha is looking forward to working with the members and volunteers this year.

Break 9:47 AM

Reconvened 10:00 AM

Committee Reports

Communications – Tosh Greathree – Tosh is looking forward to changes this year. With changes to in duties with no newsletters. She may do two levels for active and inactive members. Also, may have a blog type communication as well.

Financial Awareness – Nicole Brownlow – Noted the P&P needs to be updated with name of the committee. Melanie stated that Nicole should contact Gerrick Hampton at CHE about College Goal to help coordinate.

Sarah stated the Gerrick had contacted her about doing College Goal in Horry County during conference. But she does not think that is a good idea. Melanie stated he asks every year but does not think they can ask conference goers to attend the conference all day then spend their evening doing FAFSA's at a College Goal event. She would like to see this committee help Gerrick with scheduling of the College Goal events.

Electronic Services – Kyle Wade – Kyle is looking forward to this year. Zach is working with Kyle to get him updated and prepared.

Global Issues – Holly Gilliam/ Kayla Hudson – Kayla not in attendance. Holly would like to see programs with value and webinars. Would also like to propose a name change from Global Issues to Diversity Equity and Inclusion. Holly made a motion.

Zach thinks this is a good idea, it is happening on most college campuses right now. He is very excited about this name change. Melanie agrees with the name change. She thinks there is a lot of professional development opportunities with this for supervisors and how to care for your team. Missy asked Holly and Kayla to look into this because SASFAA has done this as well.

Missy – There is a motion to change the name of the Global Issues Committee to the Diversity Equity and Inclusion Committee. All in favor, No opposed. The name of the committee needs to be change in the P&P by the Secretary.

Legislative Affairs – Joey Derrick - Joey stated that Adam has done a lot of good work this past year with relations with CHE. He hopes to find more ways to open up communication with CHE.

Loan Liaison – Ray Jones – not in attendance.

Conference – Sarah Dowd – Started by thanking everyone who had already sent her offers sessions. She will line up moderators from the slate of candidates. The theme for this year’s conference will be Welcome to Fabulous SCASFAA, a pun Welcome to Fabulous Las Vegas. She plans to have a game night or incorporate some type of game into the conference. She wants to use the theme as an outreach to new members. Missy and Sarah visited the site last week. She will look at opening registration as soon as possible. The conference will be at the Marina Inn in Myrtle Beach, October 16-19, 2022.

Site Selection – Bridgett Blackwell – Bridgett will create a committee to do research and present ideas to the board for 2024.

Financial Planning – Elizabeth Milam – Elizabeth asked that everyone help Regina out by keeping up receipts and turning them in on time. Zach recommended that we should investigate using ZALE for reimbursements, like SASFAA. Elizabeth will ask Regina to investigate this.

Sponsorship – Melanie Gillespie - Melanie plans to make some changes to the Sponsorship Form and will get it sent out soon. She does not propose an increase to sponsors. She thinks we are priced where we should be. She did a survey after the last year’s conference; the sponsors felt like we give them good traffic at the conference for their booths. Will not do a bingo game this year. Will do a poker chip for each vendor to fit the conference theme. She does plan to have a game to earn a chip at the vendor booth. Another survey will be going out to find out what the vendors want from us. She would like to have vendor spotlight emails sent through the Communications Committee.

Melanie made a motion to not increase the price to vendors for sponsorship. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

New Business

Adam would like to ask if anyone has a space or would like to recommend ideas for areas for 1- and 2-day workshops. Please contact him.

Announcements and Closing Remarks

Missy stated that the next board meeting will be at the conference at Marina Inn. She will get a calendar out with dates and times for meetings soon.

Meeting adjourned 10:54 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Upchurch

Acting Secretary for Danielle Rymer, 2022-2023 SCASFAA Secretary