

## NACIS 2022 Board Meeting Agenda - Tuesday Night Conference Meeting

Date: Tuesday, October 18th, 2022

Time: 6:00 - 8:00 pm Central

Rock Island Meeting Room

The Depot - Minneapolis

### **Executive Office** (non-voting)

X Susan Peschel, Business Manager

X Martha Bostwick, Associate Business Manager

X Ginny Mason, Director of Continuity

X Nick Martinelli, Director of Operations

### **Executive Board** (voting)

X Mary Beth Cunha, Treasurer

X Hans van der Maarel, Secretary

X Mamata Akella, Past President

X Pat Kennelly, President

X Travis White, Vice President

X Brooke Marston, Vice President Elect

### **Board of Directors** (voting)

X Hannah Dormido

LaToya Gray-Sparks, Student Board Member

X Elaine Guidero

X Vicky Johnson-Dahl

X Vanessa Knoppke-Wetzel

X Kate Leroux

X Denise Lu

### **Ex-Officio** (non-voting)

X Amy Griffin and Jim Thatcher, *Cartographic Perspectives* Editors

### **Expected Guests**

X Nat Case (AoD)

X Neil Allen (incoming treasurer)

We need 2/3 of voting Board members present (either virtually or in-person) to meet quorum.

### **Welcome** (Pat, 10 mins)

- Welcome and any board meeting logistics

### **Nomination Committee** (Mamata - 10 minutes)

- Possible one year term for a 4th board member

Mamata: Elections closed Oct 14, Hannah will be VP Elect, Neil Allen incoming treasurer. 3 board positions to fill. Sarah Bell, Bill Limpisathian and then a 3-way tie. First time ever. At the business mtg on

thursday we'll have a runoff election. Would have loved to bring all of them on. Bylaws say there has to be another vote at the BM and members vote at that time. There will also be a bylaws change on the same ballot. This will be about the student board member position.

Since Hannah is going to be VP elect, this means a 1-year gap in her board member position. We don't HAVE to fill this according to the bylaws but proposal is to approach the #2 of the runoff election for a 1-year term to cover for Hannah.

Ginny: Two options:

- 1: we'd approach that person and vote them in at the Friday board meeting.
- 2: we as the board vote between #2 and #3

Martha: or not fill the position, or appoint someone

Ginny: we want to decide on the procedure now. Important to know is that the 1-year term would not count towards the term limit.

Vicky: how do we do the vote?

Mamata: Nick made a ballot on naxis.org (so it's limited to members)

Nick: what are the odds of another 3-way tie?

Vicky: How many people voted?

Martha: 99, out of 500-ish members

Mamata: any objections to approach runner's up in order?

\*crickets\*

Mamata: we will also encourage #3 to volunteer if they want

#### **Vote on Second Student Board Member Proposal** (Kate and Pat - 10 mins)

- Logistics for voting at the business lunch meeting
- Summary of current student board member and the second year - how and when we explain this to the membership

Mamata: we need to decide when this will take effect.

Kate: when we spoke to Latoya at SBM she agreed to 2nd year

Mamata: Chelsea Nestel (incoming student member) won't be student for 2nd year, but suggested change say that's ok, need to be student at time of election.

Kate; double check with Latoya, just to be sure she's still ok with 2nd term

Mamata: will talk to Chelsea too

#### **Atlas of Design Managing Editor position** (Nat - 15 minutes)

- History of the position
- Description of the position - [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZwiOtMiUkvFV4x7tmM3hIKA7ysFIILhM6VIV\\_jwBVUk/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZwiOtMiUkvFV4x7tmM3hIKA7ysFIILhM6VIV_jwBVUk/edit?usp=sharing)
- Modified somewhat from the paid fulfillment and business manager position, but includes a lot of the same language.
- Nat is willing to take the first term beginning 2023 - at least half term to get the ball rolling.

Nat: continuity is important when managing AoD. Also wanted to do reprints, current team doesn't have time/tools for that with their 2-year terms. Proposal is modeled like CP editor and aimed at providing continuity to the board.

Mamate: is there an estimate of hours?

Nat: no

Brooke: highly variable.

Nat: some times can be crazy

Brooke: are you confident you can find a volunteer?

Nat; we should try, change strategy (2-year?) if we don't find anybody. The big skill thing is handling the admin/finances and shipping/fulfillment.

Vanessa: this is a logistical position, so this person doesn't need to know about cartography per se?

Nat: correct, some NACIS connection would be great though.

Vanessa: true but this could also appeal to people with interest in publishing

Mamata: motion to accept modified proposal and accept Nat's offer to volunteer and make the position ex-officio non-voting board member.

Vanessa 2nd

No discussion

11 aye passed unanimously

#### **DEI Workshop Follow-up** (Vanessa - 10 minutes)

- Summary overview
  - [https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/15PuKS2W\\_PKFBvW-AHV7Iwm35xW\\_OJHjc](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/15PuKS2W_PKFBvW-AHV7Iwm35xW_OJHjc)  
**Will prly be deleted around late october**
- Any items we can implement at this year's meeting
  - Post workshop activity:  
[https://docs.google.com/file/d/1VbmS8GS0Ym9GjDecHUS4VY1-eBG2VAGF/edit?usp=docslst\\_api&filetype=msword](https://docs.google.com/file/d/1VbmS8GS0Ym9GjDecHUS4VY1-eBG2VAGF/edit?usp=docslst_api&filetype=msword)
  - Acknowledge commitment to DEI in opening discussions and end of meeting banquet
  - Budget transparency during Business lunch (live stream costs , next year)
  - Community input?? Not sure on how to do this?  
Vicky: survey is a lot shorter this year, we can add a free-form text in for that  
Hannah: The watch parties Vicky suggested earlier would be great for connecting with members throughout the year  
Vicky: Spanish Q&A if we can find the speakers  
Brooke: how often do you wantto do the watch parties?  
Vicky; no idea.  
Travis; key was easy to plan and execute.

Mamata: we should be aware of the takeaways when we walk around this meeting, one of the comments was we can appear cliqueish

Vanessa; this came up in the culture discussions. We can watch out for people who seem alone and try and include them

NACIS is nicest is aspirational, but forced nice can also make people uncomfortable flagging issues

Hannah: we should call out people being mean or gatekeeping. How do we lessen the arrogance?

Vanessa: certainly a knowledge-based clique. Follow up on thursday in commons and board in general is committed to actual stuff coming out of this.

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### **Communication & Outreach** (Mamata - 10 minutes)

- Conference coordination for Slack, Twitter

Passing to Vicky:

Slack is going, scheduled announcements etc. Should be active, probably less than the hybrid conferences.

Mamata: all try to be on Slack and be helpful whenever you can

Pat: do session moderators need to do anything?

Vicky: no, Bill and I are on top of things.

Hannah; Alex Fries and me keep an eye on Twitter. If you see something on Twitter that we've missed please flag us. If you can and want to help us we can share the password.

Vicky: will share announcement spreadsheet

### **Membership & Analytics** (Elaine & Vicky - 5 minutes)

- <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1BWxw12mjupXY4TM-1ejp2qcAPKbcZ7nQpgP5NGvO0K4/edit?usp=sharing>

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Book club announcement at banquet as well as PCD

Re. PCD

Elaine: shame we ask question in survey but never actually act on the results

Vicky: people want more tips and tricks

Elaine: more bite-sized bits of knowledge.

Brooke: would love PCD to be more practical. What about setting time limit, only lightning talks?

Vanessa: does require more background knowledge

Hannah: we can lead the CFP to certain topics

Brooke: given our acceptance rate this does open up a whole challenge, we accept almost everything

Nick: we can take a more active role

Kate: if we keep this question in we can include the list of topics we like to see in our newsletter, e.g. around end-of-year.

### **Conference updates and remaining work** (Travis)

94 presentations, 2 panels 1 symposium, 12 cancellations, 4-5 in the last few days

- Volunteer list
  - Tuesday Night Meetup: Dave & Glen Pawelski
  - Lunch Bunch coordinators: Vicky & Molly
  - Fun Run: Carl Sack
  - Map Gallery: Amy Rock & Becca Ramsey
  - Registration: Jenny Marie Johnson

- PCD co-lead: Kati Perry
- PCD incoming: Lou Gennert
- Slack comms & announcements: Bill, Vicky, Mamata will control flow between board, moderators, & attendees
- New New attendee ambassador : Josh Ryan
- Geopardy: Dennis McClendon

Travis: There were some complaints about jeopardy content last year and board asked Dennis (very late, after DEI workshop) if he'd be willing to let board check content. Dennis was blindsided by this and reluctantly agreed. He pointed out that no other NACIS contributions are vetted.

There needs to be discussion about how we handle these kinds of issues in the future.

- Announcements
  - General announcements will be made on the #Announcement Slack channel
  - General announcements will occur at
    - PCD breaks
    - Opening session/keynote
    - Thursday business lunch
    - Friday banquet
  - We will remind moderators of important announcements on the private #Moderator Slack channel
- Map gallery voting process (any changes from last year? Are we back to paper ballots?)

Martha: voting is going to be paper ballots

- Mask enforcements
  - Need to make daily reminders
- Land acknowledgement statements
  - Individual v. single "official"
- Covid cancellations
  - 4-5 in the past two days
  - From Kate:
    - Is there some kind of instruction list we can post for anyone who comes down with COVID while they're here? If I got sick, I would want to know:
      - Do I have to stay in my room completely?
      - Does the hotel have any preferences/guidance, especially around how to get food?
      - Who at NACIS should I inform?
      - Can I get a refund?

Susan: city website says to isolate. I can arrange food.

Kate: there's no roomservice

Vanessa: we can say we have volunteers to help out

Susan: just send requests to [business@nacis.org](mailto:business@nacis.org) and we'll figure it out

- To Do:

PCD:

Brooke: we're on a tight schedule, probably no QA after talks, we'll point people towards Slack for questions