

NESEA BOD Meeting – Monthly Meeting

07/09/2020

Zoom Conference Board Meeting

Participating

Miriam Aylward
Saheel Chandrani
Lauren Brust Moss
Loic Chappoz
Andrew Webster
Kate Stephenson

Ben Southworth
Betsy Glynn
Fortunat Mueller
Phil Kaplan
Rachel White
Jodi Smits Anderson

Matt Root

Not Participating

Nancy Ludwig

9:05am Meeting brought to order.

Vote:

- 1) Motion to approve minutes for June 2020 Part 1: Made by Kate S. Seconded by Loic C.
 - a. Vote to approve unanimously for all board members in attendance at that meeting.
- 2) Motion to approve minutes for June 2020 Part 2: Made by Kate S. Seconded by Betsy G.
 - a. Vote to approve unanimously for all board members in attendance at that meeting.

New Items:

- 1) Nominating Committee – Rachel W
 - a. Application outreach plan
 - i. Call for applications went out 2 weeks ago, as of 7/7/20, received 3 applications. Deadline was set for End of July.
 - ii. BoD/Committee reaching out to individuals who are identified as up-and-coming leaders and encourage them to submit applications.
 - iii. Committee created a spreadsheet that lists board prospects and who has been asked. Using the sheet as a tracking tool.
 - iv. Ask of the BoD: Identify prospects that can be added to the list. Intent is just to present the opportunity and gauge interest.
 1. Assign names next to prospects
 2. Send an email with introduction and offer to have a call about board service.
 - b. Landing page for more info
 - i. This is up to date with the latest info and next steps for prospects to refer to.
 - ii. Link on NESEA.org home page.
- 2) Brief Boston and NYC Updates - Miriam A
 - a. No red flags to raise.
 - b. BOS:

- i. Met the goal for registrants
 - ii. Pre-recorded sessions will be prepared beforehand; this is an effort to reduce the possibilities of technical issues.
 - iii. Presenters will be live in the session to answer questions
 - c. NYC:
 - i. Pricing is designed to be very accessible
 - ii. Same format with pre-recorded and live streamed as Boston.
 - iii. Will run as 2-day event with sessions and virtual trade show etc.
 - iv. Convene withholding refund of deposit.
 - d. More concrete updates will be presented at next BoD meeting.
- 3) Update on Board response to Diversity Caucus Report - Lauren and Miriam
 - a. Diversity Caucus Report
 - b. Sep. 2019 Board Response to Diversity Caucus Report
 - c. Letter of Inquiry to Barr – Andrew
 - i. Preparing a letter for the Barr foundation; seeking BoD approval to send the request
 - ii. Ask is for \$300k to support diversity and inclusion efforts.
 - iii. Using the diversity caucus report as the roadmap
 - d. Update from anti-racism Bottom Lines group – Kate S
 - i. Working with a group of people to develop ways in which the community can become more engaged
 - ii. First call to gauge interest and develop plan taking place 7/9/20
 - iii. Develop ways members can contribute
 - e. Is it time for a more public board statement?
 - i. Lauren M to draft communication and BoD will provide input.

Motion to adjourn: Betsy; seconded by Jodi.

Meeting closed 10:01AM

Minutes submitted by Saheel C