Monday, August 3rd

Attendance
Board: Laurie Volk (Chair), Susan Henderson (Chair Elect), Lynn Richards (CEO & President), Larry Gould (Chapter Representative), Gary Scott (Chapter Representative Elect), David Kim, Matt Lambert (Treasurer), Emily Talen
Staff: Margaret O’Neal (Director of Programs), Claire Strickland (Special Assistant to the President)
Absent: Frank Starkey (Secretary)

Laurie Volk, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:04pm. A quorum was present.

1. 2021 Congress

Discussion: CNU recommends that CNU 29 be held virtually and that CNU 30 be moved to Oklahoma City.

- Making this decision now will help CNU avoid fees as well as give staff enough time to plan for the virtual Congress.
- The Legacy Projects will start in Oklahoma City in summer/fall of 2021 for execution in spring of 2022.
- There will not be a CNU 31 RFP. The CNU 30 city will be moved to CNU 31, pending the Local House Committee’s approval.
- Minneapolis is not a viable option due to fundraising expenses, but we could give them the right of first refusal for future events.
- This is a good time to activate our networks and think about hosting smaller member or chapter-based events, when appropriate. Chapters will need to abide by CNU national’s guidelines on safe gatherings.

Frank joined at 12:29pm ET

- Need to consider that people will expect more in terms of technology and quality than they did for CNU 28.
- CNU will be rethinking the Congress Committee to make sure the roles of a traditional Local Host Committee are filled, perhaps including fundraising or marketing and communications. Potential agenda item for September Board Meeting: should CNU associate ourselves with places that are demonstrating poor public health / policies related to COVID?

Motion: to approve the recommendation to cancel the in-person Congress event by Emily Talen.
Seconded by Frank Starkey.
Vote: Unanimously approved. Motion passes.
Meeting adjourned at 12:49PM by Laurie Volk (Chair).