
Thursday, March 11, 2021

Attendance

Board:

- Laurie Volk, Chair
- Susan Henderson, Vice-Chair
- Matt Lambert, Treasurer,
- Frank Starkey, Secretary
- Larry Gould, Chapter Representative
- David Kim
- Emily Talen
- Gary Scott
- Lynn Richards, CEO

Staff:

- Margaret O’Neal, Deputy Director

Laurie Volk, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:30pm ET. A quorum was present.

1. Declaration of Conflict of Interest — Presented by Laurie Volk (Chair)

Discussion: No conflicts declared.

2. President’s Report — Presented by Lynn Richards (President & CEO)

Discussion: None.

3. Consent Agenda— Presented by Laurie Volk (Chair)

Motion to approve consent agenda by Susan Henderson (Chair Elect). Seconded by Matt Lambert (Treasurer).

4. Treasurer’s Report – Presented by Matt Lambert (Treasurer)

Motion: Susan Henderson (Chair Elect) moves to add 30 mins to this agenda item. Frank Starkey (Secretary) seconds. Motion passes.

Discussion: Board discussed the Recommended Financial Board Policies document. Modifications were made to the schedule.

Motion: Motion to adopt the Board Financial Policy as edited made by Matt Lambert (Treasurer). Seconded by Frank Starkey (Secretary). Motion passes.

5. **Fellows – Presented by Susan Henderson (Vice Chair) and Frank Starkey (Treasurer)**

Discussion: Laurie Volk (Chair) recused herself from Board discussion of the presented list of Fellows.

Vote:

- Jennifer Hurley - all vote YES
- John Torti - all vote YES
- Laurie Volk - all vote YES
- Scott Bernstein - all vote YES
- Phyllis Bleiweiss - all vote YES

Discussion: Board discussed requirement that Fellows maintain current membership with CNU. Board will continue to discuss this at the next meeting.

Laurie Volk (Chair) rejoins the meeting.

6. **Nomination of Executive Committee for Next Term – Presented by Laurie Volk (Chair) and Susan Henderson (Vice Chair)**

Discussion: Each board member who was discussed removed themselves from the meeting for the duration of the discussion.

Motion: Susan Henderson (Chair Elect) nominates:

- Matt Lambert as incoming Chair Elect
 - Seconded by Emily Talen. Motion passes.
- Frank Starkey as incoming Treasurer
 - Second by Matt Lambert (Treasurer). Motion passes.
- Emily Talen as incoming Secretary
 - David Kim Seconded. Motion passes.

Discussion: Larry Gould (Chapter Representative) requests to stay on Board as a nominated director with his remaining two years of eligibility.

Motion: Susan Henderson (Vice Chair) makes a motion for a two year extension as a nominated Board Member. Laurie Volk (Chair) seconds. Motion passes.

BREAK - 1:36 to 1:49pm ET

7. **Onboarding the new Executive Director - Presented by Susan Henderson (Vice Chair)**

Discussion: No discussion.

Motion: No motion.

8. **Thoughts on Bylaw amendments - Presented by Susan Henderson (Vice Chair)**

This agenda item was moved from Friday to Thursday due to extra time on the agenda at this point.

Discussion: Bylaws changes were discussed to remove CNU Executive from a position on the Board.

Vote: No motions or votes occurred. Discussion would continue on Friday.

Meeting Adjourned 3:35pm ET.

Friday, March 12, 2021

Attendance

Board:

- Laurie Volk, Chair
- Susan Henderson, Vice-Chair
- Matt Lambert, Treasurer,
- Frank Starkey, Secretary
- Larry Gould, Chapter Representative
- David Kim
- Emily Talen
- Gary Scott
- Lynn Richards, CEO

Staff:

- Margaret O'Neal, Deputy Director

Laurie Volk (Board Chair) called the meeting to order at 12:02pm ET. A quorum was present.

1. **Revisiting the Discussion on Bylaws Amendments — Presented by Laurie Volk (Chair)**

Discussion: Board continued discussion from the previous day.

Motion: Susan Henderson (Vice Chair) makes a motion to vote to accept the discussed changes to the Bylaws, including a removal of CNU's Executive from the Board and the change from CEO or Executive Director. Motion seconded by David Kim.

Vote: All board members vote yes. Motion passes.

Scott Shields (CNU Staff) joins at 12:26pm ET.

2. Board Policies for Chapters— Presented by Laurie Volk (Chair)

Discussion: Board discussed organizational policies related to Chapters relationship. This discussion was tabled by Laurie Volk (Chair).

Break at 1:27pm ET

Reconvene at 1:38pm ET

Jennifer Hurley and Howard Blackson Join.

3. Presentation to the Board — Presented by Howard Blackson and Jennifer Hurley (Guests)

Discussion: Board listened to and engaged in a discussion about how CNU National can be more responsive to the ideas coming from CNU Chapters and Members.

Next Step: Add Board Listening Session to CNU 29.

Jennifer Hurley, Howard Blackson, and Scott Shields leave at 2:25pm ET

4. Chapter Representative in Bylaws — Presented by Susan Henderson (Vice Chair)

Discussion: Board discussed current description of the Chapter Representative on the Board as outlined in the Bylaws.

Motion: Matt Lambert (Treasurer) made a suggested edit to clarify language on voting privileges for Chapter Representatives. Susan Henderson (Vice Chair) makes a motion to approve the amendment. Larry Gould (Chapter Representative) seconds. Motion passes.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45pm ET