



# AESA

American Educational Studies Association

AESA Executive Council Mid Year Meeting  
March 11-12, 2017  
Omni William Penn, Pittsburgh, PA

**3/11/17, 3-6pm and 3/12/17, 8am-12pm**

### **Greetings and welcome!**

*EC Present:* Susan Laird, Pamela Konkol, Dawn Hicks Tafari, Denise Taliafero-Baszile, Michael Jennings, Abraham DeLeon, Boni Wozolek, Fran Huckaby, Cheryl Matias, Roland Sintos Coloma, Hilton Kelly, Sandra Spickard Prettyman.

*EC Absent:* Sherick Hughes, Richard Kahn, Lynne Hamer

### **Quick guide to motions:**

1. MOTION: Approve the minutes from the Sunday, Nov 6 meeting. PASSED.
2. MOTION: Appoint an executive director, roles and responsibilities to be determined. PASSED
3. MOTION: Use \$2000 allocated at the Fall EC Meeting for Jolie Medina as 2017 Program Coordinator to pay a student worker for Hilton Kelly to work on the program. WITHDRAWN
4. MOTION: Reallocate the \$2000 program coordinator stipend to support the program chair. (fh/ss) PASSED
5. MOTION: Allocate up to \$4000 annually for program support, contingent on the submission of a budget by the program chair and acceptance by EC at the mid-year meeting. PASSED
6. MOTION: accept the ranking determined by the executive committee for the Kneller and Butts lectures. PASSED
7. MOTION: Approve the slate of candidates for the nominations committee PASSED
8. MOTION: Commit to having a sign language interpreter available at the three main lectures at the annual conference. PASSED
9. MOTION: Jennings will take on the task of looking at models of institutional sponsorship, and making a recommendation for levels of institutional sponsorship, bring to fall meeting. PASSED
10. MOTION: The Statement of Concern document is considered a statement from the EC, that we work over this month to revise, and have until the end of March 31st. We will result in a consensus document. And shared with the membership through multiple means. PASSED
11. MOTION: Reconsider Texas for our 2020 conference. TABLED until Fall, 2017 business meeting, contingent on whether the law passes.

### **Approval of the minutes November 6, 2016**

- MOTION: Approve the minutes from the Sunday, Nov 6 meeting. PASSED.

### **Reports: Committees**

*Historians* (no report submitted)

*Book Exhibit* (no report submitted)

*Communications* (no report submitted)

*CFSE* (no report submitted)

*CASA* (report available for review)

*Graduate student council* (report available for review)

### *Educational Studies*

Two special issues for this year (Rethinking the Role of STEM in Philosophy of Ed and Immigration and

Education), and two special issues for next year (Sound Foundations and Reflections of AESA Past Presidents).

#### *Graduate student awards*

Four \$500 awards are given each year. Nominations should be forwarded to Denise Taliaferro-Baszile ASAP. Fran Huckaby and Boni Wozolek volunteered to serve on the committee.

### **Reports: Leadership**

#### *Interim Executive Director*

At the fall, 2016 EC meeting, Sandra Spickard Prettyman was appointed interim Executive Director. At present, SSP is explicitly logging activities germane to the job as well as time commitment required to perform the job. Benefits and challenges to establishing a formal ED structure were discussed, including but not limited to institutional memory, organizational continuity, and costs. The IED will provide a complete report and recommendation for moving forward at the November meeting, where further clarification of the position roles and responsibilities will be determined.

- MOTION: Appoint Sandra Spickard Prettyman executive director, roles and responsibilities to be determined. PASSED

#### *Treasurer (report submitted and available for review)*

Discussion regarding the importance of institutional memberships ensued.

#### *Site coordinator*

Discussion regarding the practical benefits of the five-year rotation ensued, as well as the concern that membership appreciates different locations. The first Wildcard location is Greeneville in 2018, and contracts are in place through 2020.

#### *Secretary (report submitted and available for review)*

Membership is growing, due in part to reminders being sent out on a more regular basis. Working through eliminating duplication errors in the database, which will ultimately save money in journal-associated costs.

#### *Program Chair*

We have successfully transitioned from the OCS system to All Academic. Hilton Kelly provided a draft budget for student program support. Discussion ensued regarding the roles and responsibilities of the program chair, the Executive Director, and EC, as well as possible permutations of support.

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- MOTION: Reallocate the \$2000 program coordinator stipend to support the program chair. PASSED
- MOTION: Allocate up to \$4000 annually for program support, contingent on the submission of a budget by the program chair and acceptance by EC at the mid-year meeting. PASSED

#### *Butts and Kneller Lectures*

A list of nominees was made available to EC. EC ranked the nominees in order that they should be contacted for participation.

- MOTION: Accept the ranking determined by the executive committee for the Kneller and Butts lectures. PASSED

#### *Nominations committee*

Cheryl Matias presented a slate of candidates to comprise the nominations committee;

- MOTION: Approve the slate of candidates for the nominations committee PASSED

### **Old Business**

#### *Critical Disabilities*

Questions: do we always provide services or only provide them when there is a request? What are the basic

accommodations that could or should be provided? How do we make our conference more inclusive?

Boni Wozolek and Fran Huckaby volunteered to chair the Critical Disabilities Committee, with this charge:

- 1) Need to craft a statement for the website, on the call, etc.,
  - 2) review what previous committees have recommended provide updated recommendations and guidelines to EC, prioritized in terms of what should always be provided and what should be considered on a case by case basis,
  - 3) follow up on any requests for accommodation and ensure that needs are being met, and
  - 4) Identify creative ways of meeting the needs of our membership.
- MOTION: Commit to having a sign language interpreter available at the three main lectures at the annual conference. PASSED

#### *Institutional Sponsorship*

The importance of institutional sponsorship was further discussed. We have three levels of institutional sponsorship, \$250, \$500, and \$1,000.

- MOTION: Jennings will take on the task of looking at models of institutional sponsorship, and making a recommendation for levels of institutional sponsorship, bring to fall meeting. PASSED

#### *Policy and procedures manual*

Thea Berry submitted a progress report on the bylaws and policy and procedures manual progress. She will submit final drafts to Susie Laird.

#### **New Business**

##### *Statement of Concern*

Susie Laird submitted a draft Statement of Concern for consideration to the EC. Much discussion ensued regarding the right and/or responsibility of AESA to weigh in on various issues of concern to the membership and society at large.

- MOTION: The Statement of Concern document is considered a statement from the EC, that we work over this month to revise, and have until the end of March 31st. We will result in a consensus document. And shared with the membership through multiple means. PASSED

##### *Texas Bathroom Bill*

Significant discussion ensued regarding the Texas legislative action regarding the use of restroom facilities by transgender individuals, as well as the implications for AESA (social, financial, etc.) in this situation and others that might arise in the future.

- MOTION: Reconsider Texas for our 2020 conference. TABLED until Fall, 2017 business meeting, contingent on whether the law passes.

##### *Protecting the profession and Social Foundations as a discipline*

Significant discussion regarding the role of AESA and CASA in explicitly working in the service of protecting the profession and Social Foundations as a field of inquiry.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Konkol, Secretary.