

**NASSCED General Membership Meeting  
San Antonio, Texas  
December 4-5, 2003**

1. President Patti Ireland called the meeting to order at 12:35 pm and welcomed all the executive directors to our annual meeting. Karen Ruder then did a great icebreaker with all of us. The agenda was then reviewed by Patti with a few adjustments of time.

2. Minutes from June: Kathy Coll

Kathy Coll presented the minutes from the 2003 June meeting. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Karen Ruder and seconded by Rich Burkowicz, and the minutes were approved as written.

3. Financial Reports: Les Anderson

Les presented the financial statement of the organization, and the balance is \$31,048.43. The cash disbursements were also reviewed. He discussed the coding of the mailing list and requested that executive directors send by email any changes on mailing list.

4. NASSCED Board Reports

4.1 Web site: Les Anderson reported that it is updated quickly and lots of information about our organization is available.

4.2 Awards and Recognition: Colby Cochran reported that we have received a nomination for honorary membership for Mary McFarland of Maine. Phil Gugliuzza made a motion to accept the nomination of Mary McFarland for honorary membership and Sherman Jackson seconded, and the motion passed.

4.3 Handbook update: Kelly Neiber announced the insert on honorary membership, longevity recognition and awards and recognition should be placed in red handbook.

4.4 Evaluations: Karen Ruder announced that 33 evaluations were returned about the NASC 2003 Conference in Lancaster, NY. Please review this information provided to us. This meeting's evaluations were also pointed out in the packet.

4.5 Mentoring Program: Karen Ruder announced that Garret Powell will mentor Elsie Weiser from Vermont, and Dan Dodge will mentor Jeff Peters, the new assistant executive director of AZ

4.6 Scholarships: Kathy Coll reported that only 1 scholarship was used this year. Any final requests need to be made to Les Anderson by Dec. 31. This program needs to be revamped for a better use of the money invested.

4.7 Student Leadership Standards: Hugh Rossolo reported that Region 7 is still working on this initiative and will have something available in June for review.

5. NASC Reports: Rocco Marano and Donna Clark

5.1 Programs: There will be a NASC camp for middle level and advisors at Union College in New York this summer. Scholarships are available for students on a needs basis.

5.2 NASC Board Student Initiatives: NASC Board Students have done a great job on representing NASC at various high level conferences. Beth David from LA is attending this meeting as the Adult Co-chair of the NASC Board.

5.3 Harassment Policy/ NASC Safe Environment Policy: Rocco presented the policy and then asked Patti to address the group. She spoke about students understanding the idea of what is appropriate vs not appropriate, and as executive directors we need to help set the limits. The ultimate goal is that no kid who comes to a conference/workshop should feel uncomfortable in anyway. Executive Directors will discuss this in region meetings.

5.4 Student Alliance and Student Leadership Network are still out there as bogus organizations. NASC office is making real progress on stopping these groups. Jeff Sherill explained that a big step has been taken with Student Leadership Network, Chicago, Illinois

USSGA out of 2020 Pennsylvania Ave.---bogus address

The President's National Youth Leadership Council out of Connecticut Ave. in DC. is a new bogus organization which is sending out invoices. National Youth Leadership Council is a legitimate service

Student Alliance is out of Atlanta, Georgia, appears to be a UPS Store. Letter/email to be sent out requesting that invoices and envelopes received by any schools be sent to Jeff at NASC office. Any schools that receive these notices should refer them to their state attorney general's office.

Rocco encourage state organizations not to contact these organizations; allow schools to do it on own and send a copy to Jeff. LINK to NASC web site alerts and don't list on state web site that they are scam organizations. Some schools have paid the dues and should contact the NASC membership office about true membership. Register.com is a good site to see who owns the web site. 703-476-5432 FAX for Jeff

6. NASC Conference in Silverado HS in Las Vegas, Nevada: Sandy Ginger, Dennis Locke, Judy Beale

Plans were outlined:

1. Sandy explained their Sister School Program in the state for communication and camaraderie. They will adapt this idea for a Sister State Program which will pair states up with similar size delegation in rooms that are appropriate. State executive directors were encouraged to have conversations with your sister state over the next 6 months about what might be shared with the delegations.

2. Saturday, June 26: start of conference

- Luggage plan similar to NY plan; luggage tags will not be mailed; greeters will have tags upon arrival.
- Register by state delegation in state rooms.
- Vendors and welcome activities for delegates
- General Session: Gladys Knight working on her for speaker
- No on-site reservation for hotel for advisors. Hotel is a Resort/Spa Hotel: dinner and dance there
- State pictures will be done this year on the first day of conference.
- Airport to school is about 15 min.
- All busses are air-conditioned

Sunday, June 27:

- State meeting every morning to begin the day.
- General Session
- Overall group picture
- Lunch on campus and then go the University of Nevada Las Vegas for Speaker Showcase and then region meetings
- Night in Las Vegas show for students and adults

Monday, June 28:

- State meeting
- General Session: Mayors
- 1st student led workshop
- Advisors: presentation from Collinsville, luncheon and round tables
- Students will do community service: training for Readers become Leaders out to at risk schools for reading and activities with students.
- Delegations can bring books or send them to school in advance.

- Free the Children's Campaign: donation of \$5.00 per house goal to raise enough money to build one school in foreign countries.
- Students will make bookmarkers for their readers, and they will be individualized.
- Wet and Wild for students and advisors if they want: swim theme park; dinner and food supplied there. Students will experience a tour of the Strip on the way home to host family.

Tuesday, June 29:

- Whole delegation will go to Nellis Air Force Base for air show, home of the Thunderbirds in the morning.
- Return to school for general session flag ceremony
- Workshops in afternoon
- Host family dinner
- Candle Lighting at Henderson Outdoor Amphitheatre with host families attending.

Wednesday, June 30

- Closing session
- Luggage system to bottom floor by region.

Their conference video was shared with us, and conference packets were passed out to all

Donna Clark shared information about registration for NASC Conference

- There is a disc for all materials and forms for conference
- Registration instructions are very clear and deadlines notification.
- 4 delegates per school unless a school is giving a workshop and the max then is 6 per school.
- Small Group Workshop Application deadline is February 13.
- Delegate arrival form is extremely important to host school.
- Outstanding Project will be highlighted again at conference and in Leadership Magazine and form is included in packet.

Susan Fortin presentation

Susan did another outstanding workshop on "Leadership Workshop Ideas." It was hand-on and everyone got some great packets and information to share and take back.

## 7. Agenda Items from Region Meetings

7.1 Disposition of Budgeted Scholarship Funds: All ideas will be shared by regional reps. at meeting in Feb. and a recommendation made.

7.2 Harassment Policy: There was complete support by executive directors for the NASC policy as written.

7.3 Role of NASC Board Members at State Conferences: Most states said they would help defray the cost of registration, housing and food for NASC students to attend state conferences in an official NASC capacity.

7.4 Bid for NASSCED Mid-winter meeting in 2005: Phoenix, Arizona will be our next host.

7.5 State Officer Training: It was felt that the title of the session needs to be changed to fit what the students want. They need sharing time and organization time on projects. Time should be allotted in the NASC conference schedule.

7.6 Election of NASSCED Board Members:

- Region 1: Garrett Powell
- Region 3: Marquita Thomas
- Region 5: Kelly Neiber
- Region 7: Hugh Rossolo

## 8. NASSCED 2004 Mid-winter Meeting in Cleveland, Ohio

NASSCED meeting: December 2

NAWD: December 3-5 "Gonna Make You a Leadership Star"

Hotel: The Renaissance Cleveland Hotel &ndash; (216)696-5600

John Namey and Connie Miley invited all to come to Cleveland.

## 9. Announcement of New Officers:

- President---Patti Ireland
- Vice-President---Karen Ruder
- Secretary---Kathy Coll
- Treasurer---Les Anderson

It was discussed to look at new ideas for training for new executive directors at the Feb. meeting. All reps. were given new committee assignments.

Web site: Les; Awards, Recognition and Honorary Membership: Karen;

Handbook: Kelly; Evaluations: Garrett; Mentoring Program: Hugh;

Scholarships: Marquita ; and Leadership Standards: Hugh

10. Meeting Evaluations: Karen Ruder

Karen asked all E.D.'s to turn in meeting evaluation before leaving today.

11. Round Table Topics were done as large group presentations due to the time.

- "Use of Themes at Workshops" Phil Gugliuzza and Beth David
- "Large Group Activities for Conferences and Workshops" Colby Cochran and Elliot Mathis
- "Speakers" and other resources" Kathy Coll

A very successful meeting was adjourned at 3:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathy Coll