

NASSCED Membership Meeting

Tempe Arizona

December 1-2, 2005

I. CALL TO ORDER – Karen Ruder, KS, Region 6

President Karen Ruder called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Board Members Present: Garrett Powell, Region 1; Shawn Stelow, Region 2; Marquita Thomas, Region 3; Ann Postlewaite, Region 4; Kelly Neiber, Region 5; Karen Ruder, Region 6; Hugh Rossolo, Region 7, JJ Colburn, Region 8; Rocco Marano, NASC; Jeff Sherrill, NASC; Tammy Wightman, NASC; Patti Ireland, Past President; Les Anderson, Treasurer.

A. Welcome & General Comments

Karen welcomed the general membership to our meeting and introduced the special guests. Karen presented a slide show reading a script introducing the NASSCED Board members. Ann Postlewaite led the group in icebreakers. Jeff Peters and Dan Dodge welcomed the group to Arizona and presented gifts from their state association.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Peter Cahn-CA moved and John Namey-Ohio seconded the motion to approve the NASSCED membership meeting agenda. (passed)

III. REVIEW & APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Les Anderson, ND, Region 4

A. Summer General Membership Meeting – Collinsville, IL

B. Summer Board Meeting – Collinsville, IL

Carol Waters-Alaska moved and Michael Courtois-NH seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the NASSCED General Membership Meeting and Summer Board Meeting. (passed)

IV. FINANCIAL/MEMBERSHIP REPORTS – Les Anderson, ND, Region 4

A. Financial Statement – July 1, 2005 to December 1, 2005

-Revenue: \$11,478.00

-Expenses: \$3,254.32

-Account Balance: \$33,904.44

Les reviewed the financial statement and disbursement of checks. Peter Cahn-CA moved and Jill Ruziska seconded the motion to approve the financial report. (passed)

B. Membership Report & Dues

Les reviewed the membership/mailling list and explained the different categories. Les reminded the membership that we are an organization of individuals and not state associations.

C. Proposed 2006-2007 Budget

Les presented a draft of the 2006-2007 proposed budget. The 2006-2007 budge will be determined at the 2006 Winter NASSCED Board meeting. The budget will be presented to the general membership for approval, in June at the 2006 NASC Conference NASSCED general membership meeting.V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Handbook – Kelly Neiber, IA, Region 5

A committee of Board members chaired by Kelly is working on the NASSCED handbook. Kelly reminded the membership to check their red binder. The handbook will be on a CD which can be downloaded on a computer. The final editing will take place at the mid-winter Board meeting and a copy will be available for the summer meeting at the NASC conference.

B. Scholarships – JJ Colburn, TX, Region 8

JJ distributed an updated copy of the NASSCED Scholarship rotations through 2008. JJ asked the membership to discuss the future of the scholarship line item on the budget.

C. Web Site – Les Anderson, ND, Region 4

Les asked the membership to please bookmark the url for the NASSCED web site on their computers. The web site includes, minutes, registration forms, membership forms, e-mail addresses and general information regarding NASSCED.

D. Mentoring – Hugh Rossolo, NV, Region 7

The new executive directors were introduced and they were assigned mentors from their region.

- Mike Roland – Florida
- Kyle Gordon & Gary Clark – Illinois
- Melissa Badger & Cheryl McIlrath - Indiana
- Paul Branagan - Massachusetts
- Windy Sitzler - New Jersey
- Michael Newman – Virginia
- Karen Donathan - West Virginia

E. Awards & Recognition – Marquita Thomas, TN, Region 2

Awards for members and for retiring executive directors will be given at the end of the meeting.

F. Evaluations – Garrett Powell, MA, Region 1

Garrett distributed copies of the evaluation from the NASC Conference in Collinsville. Garrett highlighted some of the positive comments and suggestions for improvement. Garrett requested suggestions for getting additional comments regarding the student led workshops on the evaluation form. The evaluation form for the winter meeting was distributed and Garrett indicated that Karen would not let members leave the meeting until they had filled out the evaluation. Garrett noted that the NASSCED Board reads the evaluations and a number of changes are made as a result of the recommendations.

There was a break in the agenda for the following items:

- Ann Postlewaite requested suggestions for a logo for NASSCED.
- Camp presentation by Don and Jeff Cheley

The National Leadership Camps sponsored by NASSP will not be offered in the summer of 2006. Don and Jeff Cheley requested that NASSCED partner with Camp Cheley to promote a national leadership camp for high school and middle school students. The camp would be in August with a program similar to the National Leadership Camps that were sponsored by NASSP. They indicated that they have the resources, facilities and, with NASSCED's help, the expertise to offer this opportunity to students from across the country.

-Large group presentation by Sara Singhas, Legal Counsel NASSP:
Topic: Legal Issues Confronting Schools, State Organizations, etc.
Break for lunch

VI. NASC CONFERENCE 2006 – PHILADELPHIA, PA - Jim Finnemeyer & PASC

-Dates: June 24 to 28, 2006

Jim Finnemeyer and the delegation from Pennsylvania gave an update on the 2006 NASC Conference. The update included the following items:

1. Jim reviewed the information packet which included, newsletter, hotel information, school brochure, and topics for "Living Bill of Rights" session.
2. The committee showed a slide show/video and answered questions regarding the conference.
3. The committee did an update on the program to match a 4th or 5th grade classroom to coordinate state room decorations with a 4th or 5th grade classroom in Pennsylvania. The states that have not responded have been notified and were asked to please respond to this request as soon as possible.
4. The committee reviewed the daily schedule, evening activities and off site venues.
5. Additional materials were discussed and distributed to help executive directors to help plan and facilitate pre and post conference activities.
6. Jim will periodically forward information to Les to be e-mailed to executive directors.
7. If a state delegation is interested in a host school for pre-conference or post-conference travel please contact:

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dnoll@elco.k12.pa.us

By April 1, 2006

VII. NASC Board Report – Rocco Marano, Jeff Sherrill & Tammy Wightman, NASC Staff; Karen Dawson, NASC Board

A. Program and Conferences

-Tammy reviewed some of the programs and conferences offered by NASC. The materials will be reviewed for the new executive directors at a round table on Friday.

-Rocco reviewed and showed a video regarding a pre-conference NASC activity call the Gettysburg Leadership Seminar.

-Jeff reviewed the "Council of Excellence" program and application process. It is not a competition between student council programs. The program (council) is evaluated against a set criteria and every school could be recognized.

-Rocco gave a short report on the student literacy project which is promoted and facilitated by Priya Sury a student NASC Board member.

B. Conference Registration Procedures

Conference registration procedures for NASC were distributed to all states in the yellow folders.

C. SLN Update & Alert

Jeff gave an update regarding the Student Leadership Network. Jeff indicated that he

received a letter indicating that they were shutting down.

D. RSVP Program Overview (Raising Student Voice and Participation)

E. Finance and Membership of NASC

Rocco shared information regarding the 2005-2006 membership tracking report. The membership is down and there might be a need for a dues increase. The NASC staff is exploring different options to increase membership in the organization. Rocco asked for suggestions from the NASSCED group to maintain or increase membership. It was determined that it might be better to have a small increase in dues on a regular basis instead of waiting and having a large jump in dues.

F. Regional Meetings & RSC Meeting Format

- The "Regional Meetings" at the NASC conference were reviewed and Rocco asked for information regarding a change in format and agenda. The student members of the NASC Board feel strongly that "Regional Meetings" are necessary and serve a valid purpose.
- The new process for the Regional Selection Committee procedures were reviewed. The information was sent to all NASSCED members in September.

G. Additional Items to be announced

- If you invite NASC student Board members to your state conference, they need to be on the program and be given an opportunity to promote NASC programs and membership.

VIII. Regional Meetings - facilitated by NASSCED Board Members

- A. Selection of NASSCED Board Members from Region 1,2,3,7
- B. Scholarship & Regional Meeting Stipends
- C. Bids for NASSCED 2008 (due June 1, 2005)
- D. Regional Selection Committee schedules/plans
- E. Other Region Issues? Concerns for the Board to address?
- F. Suggestions to NASC to increase school membership.

Break for Thursday Evening Dinner

There was a short NASSCED Board meeting at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, December 2, to elect the 2006 NASSCED officers and set a date for the mid-winter NASSCED Board meeting. The NASSCED mid-winter Board meeting will be held in Reston, VA, Saturday, February 18 to Sunday, February 19, 2006.

The NASSCED General Membership meeting reconvened at 8:30 am on Friday, December 2, 2005.

IX. PREVIEW NASSCED WINTER MEETING

A. 2006 Meeting, Washington, DC: November 30 to December 1

Kathy Coll, PA and Shawn Stelow, Maryland gave an update on the 2006 NASSCED portion of the winter meeting. The hotel block is under NASSCED and the hotel reservation deadline is November 10, 2006. A handout regarding the hotel and NAWD was distributed to the membership.

X. Invitation to attend NAWD - Genel Wokal-Hodges, CA & Earl Reum, CO
Karen invited and encouraged all of the NASSCED members to attend the NAWD workshop.

XI. TOPICS FROM THE FLOOR

- Patti Ireland, Southern gave a short presentation regarding a request for relief for hurricane victims. A handout was distributed to all members.
- Kadi Pojeta, Michigan gave an update on the NASSCED listserv. New members were encouraged to give their e-mail address to Kadi and she will put them on the listserv. Kadi gave the membership a handout and explained a program called "Sports Team Captain" workshops.
- Peter Cahn, California extended an invitation to all NASSCED members to come to the CADA conference in Reno, Nevada as a VIP guest. The dates of the conference are March 1 to 4, 2006.
- Phil gave a report on "Adopt a Leader" program. The program gives scholarships to individuals students, from hurricane devastated areas, to attend leadership programs and conferences.

XII. NASSCED Leadership and Recognitions – Karen Ruder, KS and Marquita Thomas, TN

A. Recognitions

- Kelly Nieber, Region V and Hugh Rossolo, Region VII were recognized for their service on the NASSCED Board.
- Patti Ireland was recognized for her service as the past president.
- Eddie Bull, Texas, Jill Ruziska, West Virginia and Phyllis Martin, Arkansas were recognized for their service as state executive directors.
- Marquita read a poem, which she had written, and presented it to Jill Ruziska.

B. Announcement of NASSCED Board New Officers

President: Karen Ruder

Vice-President: Marquitta Thomas

Secretary: Ann Postlewaite

Treasurer: Les Anderson

XIII. Meeting Evaluation – Garrett Powell, MA, Region 1

NASSCED members were not allowed to leave the meeting until they had turned in an evaluation.

XIV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Karen reminded the membership if they were not receiving e-mails from our organization on a regular basis they should contact Les Anderson. (les.anderson@sendit.nodak.edu)

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Phil, LA, moved and Dot Strickland, Alabama seconded the motion to adjourn the

December 1-2, 2005 NASSCED General Membership Meeting. (passed) Meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.