

## **NASSCED Mid-Winter Board Meeting February 18-19, 2006**

I. President Karen Ruder called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and welcomed the Board members. Board Members Present: Garrett Powell, Region 1; Shawn Stelow, Region 2; Marquita Thomas, Region 3; Ann Postlewaite, Region 4; Sandy Hillman, Region 5; Karen Ruder, Region 6; Jane Suberg, Region 7, JJ Colburn, Region 8; Rocco Marano, NASC; Jeff Sherrill, NASC; Les Anderson, Treasurer. Absent: None

### II. Review and Approval of Agenda

President Karen Ruder reviewed the agenda and asked for changes and additions. Jane Suberg moved and JJ Colburn seconded the motion to approve the revised agenda. (passed)

### III. Approval of Minutes

Ann Postlewaite moved and Marquita Thomas seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the NASSCED December 1-2, 2005, General Membership Meeting and November 30, 2005, Board Meeting. (passed)

### IV. Financial/Membership Reports - Les Anderson, Treasurer

#### A. State of Finances (2/18/2006)

-Revenue: \$13,528.00

-Expenses: \$14,776.14

-Account Balance: \$24,432.62

Les reviewed the financial statement and disbursement of checks. Sandy Hillman moved and Ann Postlewaite seconded the motion to approve the financial report. (passed)

#### B. Membership Report

Les reviewed the membership/mailling list and explained the different categories.

#### C. Proposed Budget (2006-2007)

Les presented a draft of the 2006-2007 proposed budget. There was discussion regarding the scholarships and officer training. It was recommended that we continue both programs. A draft of the new criteria for scholarships will be presented to the membership in June. The budget will be presented to the general membership for approval in June at the 2006 NASC Conference NASSCED general membership meeting.

Sandy Hillman moved and JJ Colburn seconded the motion to approve the revised proposed budget. (passed)

### V. Committee Reports/Board Responsibilities

President Karen Ruder reviewed committee assignments and responsibilities.

#### A. Mentoring (Welcoming and Communication) - Ann

#### B. Handbook - Jane

The Board reviewed the NASSCED Handbook. Jane will make the revisions and update the disk.

#### C. Scholarships - JJ

#### Don Larsen Leadership Scholarship

Ann Postlewaite moved and Jane Suberg seconded the motion to add an option to the scholarships for a high school student or adult leadership training. The new scholarship will be named, Don Larsen Leadership Scholarship. (passed)

#### D. Web Site - Les

Les will continue to work with the NASSCED Web Site.

#### E. Awards & Recognition - Marquita

Marquita reviewed the guidelines for awards and recognition. She will present the revised guidelines to the members in June.

#### F. Honorary Membership

Ann Postlewaite moved and Marquita Thomas seconded the motion to recommend Dot Strickland, Alabama and Phyllis Martin, Arkansas for honorary membership to NASSCED. (passed) The names will be presented to the general membership in June. JJ suggested that the Board clarify the criteria for honorary membership. The revised draft for Honorary Membership will be presented to NASSCED members in June.

#### G. Evaluations - Garrett

Garret will continue to be responsible for meeting and program evaluations.

### VI. Preview/Review Agendas of NASSCED Meetings

#### A. Evaluations from 2005 Mid-Winter Meeting

Garrett distributed copies of the evaluation from the NASSCED Mid-Winter Meeting in Arizona. Garrett highlighted some of the positive comments and suggestions for improvement. Copies of the evaluation will be distributed to the membership at the meeting in June. Garrett indicated that overall the evaluations were very positive.

#### B. NASC 2006, Lansdale, PA

##### i. 2005 Evaluation, Discussion and Suggestions

The Board reviewed the 2005 NASC evaluation.

##### ii. NASSCED Meeting Time and Site

The NASSCED meeting is Monday, June 26, at 3:25 p.m. in the Washington Room at the host hotel. Dessert will be served!

##### iii. Special Recognitions

The guidelines for special recognitions were reviewed. If there is an executive director who qualifies for special recognition please forward the name to Karen Ruder.

##### iv. State Presidents Shirts

The state presidents will receive a red T-shirt with the NASC logo on the front and "State President" printed on the back. Each state will receive one shirt and additional "State President" T-shirts may be purchased.

#### C. Mid-Winter Meeting 2006, Washington, DC

##### i. Meeting Time and Site

The NASSCED Board meeting will start on Wednesday, November 29, 2006, at 1:00 p.m. The general membership meeting will start on Thursday, November 30, 2006, at 9:30 a.m. The conference hotel is the Crystal City Marriott. The hotel is a short distance from Reagan National Airport (DCA).

ii. The registration fee will remain at \$100.00 which will include the dinner on Thursday night. Additional dinners will cost \$50.00.

iii. Arrangements with local hosts.

The NASC office will make arrangements for the NASSCED dinner on Thursday night.

iv. Schedule and Program Content

There was discussion regarding a visit to the NASSP national office on Thursday. Rocco will check on bussing and the possibility of having a meeting at the NASSP office. Karen will present a draft copy of the agenda at the NASSCED meeting in June.

## VII. NASC Report - Rocco and Jeff

### A. NASC Board Report

#### i. Membership and NASC Business Plan

Rocco shared information regarding NASC senior high and middle school membership. The report indicated a decline in both middle school and senior high membership. There was discussion regarding the membership decline and suggestions for ways to increase membership. Rocco indicated that membership dues options are being investigated to increase membership and one option might be to combine dues statements with NHS. The Board was generally not in favor of a joint membership with NASC and state organization schools.

Rocco shared a draft copy of the NASC Business Plan EZ - the very short version.

- Restoring benefits that were cut in 2000.

- Promoting new benefits such as: student voice and civic engagement through RSVP and Councils of Excellence.

- Support adviser development by offering on-line courses and Train the Trainer sessions.

- ACCESS for SC advisers.

- 800 # for NASC

- Direct contact with Student Council officers through magazines, student zones on websites, e-mails and list serves.

- Additional RSVP national instructor training and funding for state level training of local councils.

- Initiate a process for screening vendors of goods and services that are utilized by student councils.

- Introduction of new sales items.

- Developing a document like Breaking Ranks and BRII for Student Councils.

- Enhance Civic Engagement.

- Provide more networking opportunities through websites, etc...

- Develop Specialized services for Middle Level.

- Offer discounts to schools that renew both NASC and Honor Society.

#### ii. NASC Conference report

The NASSCED Board made the following recommendations for future NASC conferences.

- Shorten the NASC conference by one day and start the conference earlier on the first day.

- Have registration the day before the conference starts at the host hotel for groups that arrive early.

Items from NASC regarding the National Conference:

-The state executive directors will be asked to assist the state guides in the registration process in the state rooms on the first day of the conference.

-Delegates and advisers need to be aware that there will be a fair amount of ride time on buses due to the amount of traveling during the conference.

-Advisers may not drive on Monday night or Tuesday for the downtown Philadelphia activities.

-North Penn will be asking for assistance from the state directors when we are in downtown Philadelphia on Tuesday. North Penn will send e-mails to executive directors regarding their responsibilities.

NASC accepted bids from Highland Ranch High School, Denver to host the 2009 conference and Center Grove High School, Indianapolis to host the 2010 conference.

iii. RSVP update (Raising Student Voice and Participation)

The NASC supports and continues to promote the use of the RSVP program in schools through student councils. The NASSCED Board expressed some concern regarding the role of the executive directors in this process and program. Rocco indicated that Jeff would e-mail periodic updates regarding the program.

iv. Literacy Project

Sandy Hillman gave a short report on the student literacy project which is promoted and facilitated by Priya Sury a student NASC Board member. Rocco passed out a draft copy of materials that will be sent to members schools by e-mail.

v. Save our History request

Sarah Goodnow from The History Channel is requesting that NASSCED help get information to schools regarding the "Save our History" scholarship program. The program offers 24 - \$1,000 scholarships. The NASSCED Board will send an e-mail regarding the scholarship program to the membership.

vi. IRSC Conference

Kathy Coll, Pennsylvania will be hosting the conference at her school. Rocco and Kathy have had discussion regarding some of the procedures.

vii. New York State Blue Ribbon Commission on Youth Leadership

Rocco shared a copy of the recommendations from the commission.

viii. Student Leadership Network

Jeff Sherrill reported that the Student Leadership Network has been forced to close their doors. Criminal action is being taken against SLN and executive directors are asked to take any reference to SLN off their web sites and out of their mailings.

ix. Affiliation Agreements

NASC affiliate agreements will be sent to executive directors in the next mailing from the national office.

B. Regional Selection Committee Issues

The revised draft copy of the regional selection process was shared with the NASSCED Board. Rocco requested that NASSCED members e-mail sample questions, for candidates for the NASC Board, to Jeff.

## VIII. Additional New Business/Topics From the Floor

### A. PASC Resolution

The NASSCED Board discussed the PASC resolution. This discussion led to how decisions are made at NASC and the involvement of the student NASC Board members.

### B. Earl Reum - Publication Request

The Board discussed the proposal from Earl Reum regarding materials for state executive directors. Karen will visit with Earl and ask for copies for the NASSCED Board to review and determine NASSCED involvement.

### C. Paying Presenters at NASSCED Meetings

The NASSCED Board has taken the position of not paying presenters at NASSCED sponsored activities.

### D. Logo

The Board discussed the option of developing a logo and changing the name of the organization. This item will be put on the agenda for the June meeting.

### E. Adviser Training

The Board discussed the need for additional adviser training. Ann reported on a program through "Difference Makers" that could help with this need. The group would work with state organizations to provide training for their advisers.

### F. Tree Scholarship

Jeff reported that Minnesota Life is the original sponsor for the "Tree Scholarship" for student leadership. In the past some of the money generated from the Tree Scholarship program was used for registration for National Leadership Camps. This year's money was used for the RSVP program. The NASSP will determine the future use of the money from the Tree Scholarship program.

## IX. Announcements

- Items for the NASSCED meeting agenda need to be sent to Karen a least 10 days prior to the meeting. Items will not be added to the agenda after this deadline.

## X. Adjournment

JJ Colburn moved and Marquita Thomas seconded the motion to adjourn the February 18-19, 2006 NASSCED Board Meeting. (passed) Meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Les Anderson, Treasurer