

Minutes of NACPRO Board Meeting
July 13, 2002

National Association of County Park and Recreation Officials
Board of Directors Meeting
Hotel Monteleone
New Orleans, Louisiana

I Call to Order

Bob Nickovich called the meeting to order
at 2:00 p.m.

II Introduction of Guests

Kevin Landry, Martin County Parks and Recreation
Lisa Killough, Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation

III. Requests for Amendments to Agenda

There were no amendments to the agenda

IV Roll Call

Members Present

Gene Andal, Executive Secretary
Sacramento County, Ca,

Bill Beckner, Honorary Member
Washington, D.C.

John deBessonnet
Harris County, Texas

Bob Nickovich
Lake County, Indiana

Jon Brady
Hamilton County, Ohio

Paul Romero
Santa Clara County, CA

Mike Pasteris
Will County, Illinois

Annette Wise
Buncombe County, No. Carolina

Steve Dice
Cleveland Metroparks, Ohio

Paul Frandsen
Riverside County, California

Don Hoch
Bibb County, Georgia

Dan Gooch
DuPage Co.Forest Preserve, ILL

Bill Scalzo
Maricopa County, Arizona

Dave Noble
Lake Metroparks, Ohio

Bill Palmer
East Baton Rouge Parish, L

Cindy Welsh
Loudoun County, Virginia

Tim Schreiner
Grand Traverse County, Michigan

Ralph Richard
Oakland County, Michigan

Members Excused

William Mitchell
Bucks County, Pennsylvania

Don Cochran
Silver Spring, Maryland

John Von de Linde
Anoka County, Minnesota

Graham Skea
Orange County, New York

Ron Benson
Douglas County, Colorado

Absent

Michael Amii
Honolulu County, Hawaii

John Weber
Baltimore County, Maryland

Wayne Weston
Mecklenburg County, NC

V Approval of Minutes

Upon a motion by Mike Pasteris, seconded by Dave Noble, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the March 1, 2002, meeting in San Antonio, Texas.

VI Executive Director's Report

Membership Report - Gene Andal circulated the master copy of corporate membership, which is down this year.

Paul Romero stated that membership is not what it once was. Paul said that, as a means of increasing membership, lists of past members were distributed, and members were encouraged to make contact with persons on those lists.

Upon a motion by Bill Scalzo, seconded by Paul Frandsen, the Board unanimously approved the 2002/03 Budget. There was a correction to the six-year analysis of the Awards Dinner cost.

There was considerable discussion surrounding the need to reduce the cost of the Awards banquet and also the cost of the conference overall.

A suggestion was made to notify counties ahead of time about the park tour.

VII NACPRO/NACo Board Report – Dan Gooch

Mr. Gooch reported that Lou Witt left and Abbie Friedman is the new NACO representative.

- Abbie Friedman is paid by NACO, and as such will hopefully be more helpful.
- NACO found money to fund affiliate office; Travis Worl's job is to find what affiliates need, what affiliates can do for NACPRO, and to strengthen the bond.
- NACO will retain affiliate reps on NACPRO Board.
- NACPRO Board needs to bring legislative initiatives to NACO Board.

Mr. Gooch will work on having NACO help promote NACPRO.

- Mr. Gooch's agency will be separated from county and will become a special park district, so Mr. Gooch would like to phase himself out as NACO rep over one year; he is asking for replacement.

- Persons interested in volunteering to be a rep on NACO Board should contact Mr. John deBessonet.

VIII Standing Committee Reports

A. Awards Committee - John deBessonet

Awards Banquet - Mr. DeBessonet reported that the awards are ready to go. Awards cost \$1,267.00.

BREC paid for three additional awards.

B. By-laws Committee - Ron Benson

No report (Ron Benson hospitalized)

C. Finance Committee - Tim Schreiner

Mr. Schreiner will follow up with IRS to find out why the Board has not received confirmation on non-profit status.

Mr. Schreiner will close out books in the next several weeks and submit them to Ralph Richard for audit.

D. Legislation Committee - Bill Scalzo

E. Membership Committee - Paul Romero

Mr. Romero reported that the target for this year is 200.

One question is whether regional Directors are needed for membership.

Mr. Romero stated that there is value in replacing Washington, D.C. session with NACPRO annual conference about the same time.

Mr. Romero suggested that the Board look into whether the by-laws limit membership.

F. Nominating Committee - Cindy Welsh

Board of Directors Slate 2002-2003 and Officers Slate 2002-03 –
Ms. Welsh distributed the Nominating Committee Report.

Ms. Welsh led a discussion about Honorary memberships for
Graham Skea, Paul Romero, and Jon Brady.

Ralph Richard moved, and Mike Pasteris seconded the motion, to
approve the slate of officers after it was open for nominations from
the floor. No nominations were made from the floor.

Officers – 2002/03 Term:

President	John deBessonnet
First vice-president	Ron Benson
Second vice-president	Tim Schreiner
Third vice-president	Steve Dice
Treasurer	Annette Wise
Immediate Past President	Bob Nickovich

Bob Nickovich read the slate of Board of Directors. Dave Noble
moved to adopt the slate, and Ralph Richard seconded the motion.
The Board unanimously accepted the slate as follows

Directors –2002-04 Term:

Don Cochran	Montgomery County,
MD	
Robert Harbin	Broward County, FL
Paul Frandsen	Riverside County, CA
Dan Gooch	DuPage County, IL
Don Hoch	Bibb County, GA
Robert Nickovich	Lake County, IN
Mike Pasteris	Will County, IL
Tim Schreiner	Grand Traverse County, MI
Cindy Welsh	Loudoun County, VA
Wayne Weston	Mecklenburg County, NC
Annette Wise	Buncombe County, NC
Paul E. Mueller	Washington County, WI

G. Professional NRPA/NACO Education Committee -Bill Beckner

Mr. Beckner reported there will be two workshops on October 14, 2002: Deer Management (Room 211 in Convention Hall) followed by workshop on awards presented by Mr. Beckner.

IX Ad Hoc Committee Reports

A. Commission on Agency Accreditation - Don Cochran
No report

B. Historian - Bill Scalzo

Mr. Scalzo would like a replacement.

C. Internet Communications - John deBessonnet

- Mr. deBessonnet reported that an invoice has been submitted for internet cost.
- Mr. deBessonnet reported that the counter is being discontinued by AOL Time Warner.
- Mr. deBessonnet would like someone to take over some of the work.
- Discussion followed about making access to certain parts of the web page by password for members only. Discussion supported the idea.

D. Newsletter - John Von de Linde

Mr. Von de Linde was not present. Mr. Andal passed around a hard copy of Spring 2002 newsletter, which was originally posted on the web page.

E. Organization Future - Mike Pasteris

NACPRO Display Booth - Mr. Pasteris reported that he will put together possibilities for display and present them to the NACPRO Board at the NRPA Congress in Tampa.

Ms. Welsh will see if NRPA will allow us to include NACPRO brochure in their Congress packets.

F. NRPA National Forum - Cindy Welsh

Ms. Welsh will mail out agenda prior to NRPA Forum at annual Congress and solicit comments.

G. Scholarship - Tim Schreiner

Mr. Schreiner reported that there were no outstanding obligations and one request for a scholarship. The request is from Lynn Hensle from BREC for attendance at the NRPA Congress.

Ms. Welsh moved to approve the scholarship and Paul Frandsen seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the scholarship.

H. Audit – Ralph Richard

Mr. Richard is looking for another member on committee. May have audit report by NRPA Congress.

X New Business

Mr. Beckner passed around information from environmental management services, green purchasing program. www.MESLLC.NET.

- If Board is not interested in being a partner, and if five or six larger counties want to participate in a pilot, they will offer access to green purchases on web site for free for NACPRO members.
- Pilot is basically looking at web site and evaluating list, catalogue, and process.

Mr. deBessonnet

Ad Hoc Committee for first conference. Mr. Pasteris and Mr. Noble suggested Board do distance learning instead of conference—supported for exploration—because there is a concern about the expense of another conference for staff to attend.

Mr. Andal reported that the supply of NACPRO brochures originally printed by Hamilton County Park District is almost out. Mr. Brady offered to print more brochures.

X Adjournment

- Upon the motion by Mr. Gooch to adjourn, seconded by Mike Pasteris, the Board unanimously voted for adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm.

XI Future Meetings

2002

- NACPRO Annual Conference - Orleans Parish, Louisiana - July 12-16)
- NRPA Annual Congress - Tampa, Florida (October 16-19)

2003

- NACo Mid-Year Legislative - Washington, D.C., (Feb.25-Mar.1)
 - NACo Annual Conference - Milwaukee, Wisconsin (July 11-15)
 - NRPA Annual Congress - St.Louis, Missouri (October 22-25)
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