

**NACPRO Meeting Notes**  
**Video Conference**  
**January 25, 2016**  
**3:00 pm EDT**

**Present:**

	Scott Bangle	X	Daniel Betts	X	Larry Blackstad	X	Stacy Blackwood	X	Randy Burkhardt
X	RJ Cardin		Robb Courtney	X	John Elholm	X	Bob Fonte		Rick Gruen
	Brande Hune	X	Ted Jack	X	John Knight	X	Bill Maasen	X	Steve Madewell
	Bill Mitchell		Bob Nickovich		Justin Patterson	X	Joe Roszak		Guy Smith
	Maureen Snelgrove	X	Travis Stombaugh		John VonDeLinde		John Wicker		Dave Tyahla

Association Manager: Brenda Adams-Weyant

Guests: Jane Beesley standing in for John Wicker

**1) Secretary's Report - John Elholm**

Approval of November meeting minutes – RJ Cardin made the motion to approve the minutes as amended. Bill Maasen seconded. Motion passes.

**2) President's Report – Daniel Betts**

Association Manager Contract - The draft contract was sent to the board. Daniel asked if there were any questions or concerns. Brenda noted in her comments that the contract states that she will attend two meetings a year. The fall meeting at NRPA is usually short and not worth the expense for her to attend the meeting. The board agreed and recommended changing that statement to may attend the fall meeting. Bill Maasen suggested increasing the telephone reimbursement to \$30, which is what his agency reimburses employees use of a personal phone for work purposes. Brenda noted that she is only seeking reimbursement for services on her personal phone account for those that are needed for business use.

Larry Blackstad made the motion to approve the contract as amended. RJ Cardin seconded. Motion passes.

**3) Treasurer's Report – Brenda Adams-Weyant**

At the end of the fiscal year, the balance in the checking account was \$32,371, with a profit \$8,474. Consider that in 2013, we ended the year with a deficit of \$6,000.

A draft budget was sent to board members. Daniel Betts asked if there were any comments or questions. Bill Maasen made the motion to approve the 2016 budget as presented. John Elholm seconded. Motion passes.

**4) Association Manager's Report – Brenda Adams-Weyant**

- a) **Membership Report** – Membership is currently at 127 professionals and 4 sponsors (RJ Thomas Manufacturing, Southeast Publications, Parks by Nature Network, Go Ape). 38 members have not renewed their membership yet.

## 5) **Committee Reports and/or Business**

- a) **Professional Education** - John Knight

LA County has been in touch to get the ball rolling on the meeting planning. NACo will be publicizing our tour to their conference attendees. Should we limit attendance to one bus? YES, we want to keep a manageable group size and maintain a more personal atmosphere.

Brenda is reviewing options for hotel room block - which may involve using NACo's hotel room block if it is advantageous to us.

- b) **Awards – Justin Patterson**

Brenda reported that the award nominations opened on January 20 and will close February 26.

- c) **Legislation** - Jane Beesley

RJ Cardin shared the Senate Bill S. 2380, the RPPA Commercial Recreation Concessions Pilot Program Act with the board and asked if NACPRO would support and add to the legislative agenda. Larry Blackstad made the motion to support. Jane Beesley seconded. Motion passes. RJ will draft a letter to Senator Flake for introducing the bill.

Jane reported good news that LWCF was re-authorized with a three year extension. David Tyahla asked the board if NACPRO would add their name to a thank you letter regarding LWCF reauthorization that NRPA is drafting. John Knight made the motion to support. RJ Cardin seconded. Motion passes.

- d) **Inactive Board Member task force** - Joe Roszak

Joe and Scott Bangle met to discuss a bylaws amendment regarding board members that are not attending board meeting or active on committees.

Proposal:

Added Section: Attendance: If a director misses three consecutive regular meetings or a total of four regular meetings in a 12-month period, the board can vacate the director's seat and appoint a replacement.

Notes:

1. The language is somewhat ambiguous by design. Rather than list the entire process to remove a member, it is understood that removal would require that the item be placed on the agenda and voted upon.

2. If we do approve the recommendation, it would be most fitting as Article III, Section 4 of the by-laws. However, we could also move it to Article III, Section 10 if we chose not to renumber the remaining 6 Sections.

Brenda noted that there may be other bylaws amendments that are needed. Daniel Betts asked if we want to add language about expectations of board members, specifically that they be required to fundraise x dollars per year. Board members were not in favor of this. Brenda stated that our first expectation is that all board members need to be engaged.

e) **Strategic Plan** – Daniel Betts

The consultant has committed to helping NACPRO. He is gathering information to share with her. More details to come next month.

6) **Liaison/Affiliate Reports**

a) **CAPRA** - Brande Hune

No Report

b) **NACo** - Daniel Betts

No Report

c) **NRPA** - David Tyahla

No Report

d) **SORP** – Brenda Adams-Weyant

No Report

7) **Adjourn**

Larry Blackstad made the motion. Ted Jack seconded. Motion passes.