



An Affiliate of the National Association of Counties  
and National Recreation and Park Association

## NACPRO Board Meeting Minutes - DRAFT

Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025 3pm to 4pm, Eastern Time  
Teleconference

### 1) Introductions

|   |                 |   |              |   |                |   |                  |   |                     |
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| X | Holli Browder   | A | Tim Laurent  | E | George Page    | E | Joe Roszak       | X | Aimee Vosper        |
| X | Kyla Brown      | X | Bill Maasen  | X | Todd Palmeter  | A | Ralph Schultz    | E | Jon Woodsby         |
| X | Paul Connell    | E | Tim Morgan   | X | Jeff Perry     | X | Rebekah Snyder   | X | Brenda Adams-Weyant |
| E | Norma E. Garcia | X | Angie Nagle  | X | Reed Richard   | X | Chris Stice      |   |                     |
| X | Lisa Goorjian   | X | Monique Odom | X | Nicole Rissler | X | Jonathan Vlaming |   |                     |

**Excused absences:** Joe Roszak, Norma Garcia, Jon Woodsby, Tim Morgan

**Guests:**

### 2) Secretary's Report – Paul Connell

- Mr. Connell requested a motion to approve the February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025 minutes. Motion by Ms. Vosper seconded by Mr. Maasen. Motion approved unanimously.

### 3) President's Report – Jeff Perry

- Mr. Perry recognized Mr. George Page's retirement on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Jessica Catlett can be emailed to wish George well in his retirement and to thank him for his service.
- Mr. Perry asked board members to be prepared to discuss annual meeting locations at our next meeting in Detroit.

### 4) Treasurer's Report – Nicole Rissler

- Ms. Rissler discussed the current revenues and expenses. She stated the budget is in good shape even though revenues are down mainly due to us not collecting annual meeting revenues for the 2025 annual meeting. Expenses are up primarily due to the Forum banquet sponsorship.
- Ms. Browder made a motion to approve the treasurers report which was seconded by Mr. Vlaming. Motion approved unanimously.

### 5) Executive Director's Report – Brenda Adams-Weyant

- Ms. Adams-Weyant provided updated membership levels. There are currently 301 professional members, 5 associate members, 4 retiree members and 1 sponsor member for a total of 311. There are still a few agencies that have not renewed.
- At the February board meeting we discussed that financial assistance for liaison travel may be feasible after the revised fee increases are factored into the annual budget. Ms. Adams-Weyant emailed liaisons last week to ask if they had a need for assistance. Ms. Browder had some expenses from the

NRPA visit to the Hill. Ms. Snyder indicated that she has no need in 2025. Ms. Adams-Weyant suggested that liaisons submit a written request with a cost estimate of what they need prior to travel for the Executive Board to review and decide.

- c) Ms. Adams-Weyant reminded the board that when we meet with the Forum, we do not make any revenue from our annual meeting. There may be opportunities to earn revenue when we meet in conjunction with the Forum. Ms. Brown suggested an awards sponsor. Mr. Palmeter recommended exploring revenue options when Great Parks hosts the Forum in 2027.

## **6) Committee Reports/Business**

- a) Legislation – Rebekah Snyder
  - Committee wants to survey members to understand their interest and need to guide what the committee will focus on. Ms. Adams-Weyant suggested combining this with a general member survey that's been on her to-do list.
  - Mr. Vlaming suggested the board submit a letter to the House Committee on Transportation expressing the need and support for Transportation Alternatives Program, the Recreational Trails Program and the Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program. Jonathan will draft a letter for the board to review, and Mr. Perry will submit the letter online.
- b) Awards – Holli Browder
  - Awards process has been completed. The committee will meet with Ms. Adams-Weyant in a few weeks to debrief and discuss potential improvements for 2026. One idea was to conduct a webinar to help agencies develop better nominations.
- c) Professional Education – Todd Palmeter
  - Reminded members to make sure they picked their tracks. You can sign up for CEU's when you check-in at the Forum.
- d) Bylaws – Ralph Schultz
  - Mr. Schultz will be retiring in May and a new chair will be required. Mr. Schultz's award will be given to him at his retirement in May.
- e) Nominations – Aimee Vosper
  - Ms. Vosper advised the Board that we have a fantastic slate of candidates and she went through the list. With many board members retiring or leaving, we will have six new board members. Rhonda Pollard is recommended to complete Bill Maasen's term. Ms. Vosper thanked the exiting board members (Ms. Odom, Mr. Palmeter, and Mr. Vlaming) for their service. The consensus from the board was to move the slate forward to the annual meeting.

## **7) Liaison/Affiliate reports**

- a) NACo – Rebekah Snyder
  - Mr. Vlaming said goodbye and thanked Ms. Snyder and Mr. Stice for taking over this role.
- b) NRPA – Holli Browder
  - Ms. Browder's visit to the Hill was completed in March. She said the political climate was different this year. NRPA focus is continued funding at current levels due to the cost cutting climate in Washington.
- c) CAPRA – Jon Woodsby
  - Mr. Woodsby stated that CAPRA is reviewing documents for agency visits.

## **8) Open Forum/Roundtable Discussion**

No Discussion.

- 9) Mr. Perry closed the meeting.

## **10) Next Meeting**

June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – Detroit, Michigan