



Virginia College Access Network Board March Meeting Minutes

Friday, June 26th
3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Hosted Virtually via Zoom

Present: Joy Pugh (President); Scott Kemp (Vice President); Paula Crow (Treasurer); Lyons Sanchezconcha (Secretary); Mary Morris; Tierney Jackson; Paula Robinson; Reshaud Rich; Anne Michie; Ashley Woodous; TeCarla Moore; Laura Clark, and Erin McGrath**

Absent: None

- **Joy Pugh calls meeting to order at 3:02pm**
 - Adjustment on meeting agenda to shift order of topics
- **Approval of April & May meeting minutes**
 - Motioned by Anne, seconded by Scott
 - Aye - 12
 - Nay - 0
- **Treasurer's Report - Paula Crow**
 - Recent account statement: \$63,294.16
 - CVENT invoice
 - renegotiated and adjusted
- **Governance Committee Update - Anne Michie**
 - Erin McGrath to join VCAN Board
 - SCHEV representation intended to transition Paula Robinson off board
 - Motioned by Scott, seconded by Reshaud
 - Aye - 12
 - Nay - 0
 - Erin McGrath joins meeting at 3:10pm**
 - Approve Bylaw changes to Article 7
 - Section 1. These By-Laws may be amended by vote of the Directors. The proposed amendment must be passed by $\frac{2}{3}$ of the Directors present at the pertinent Board meeting; a quorum at the Board meeting, as defined in Article II, Section 6, paragraph 11 of these By-Laws, is required for a vote to amend.
 - Section 2. The Board may also adopt operating policies to conduct the business of the organization so long as no policy conflicts with these

By-Laws. The Board may adopt and amend policies with a simple majority of Directors present at any Board meeting.

- Motioned by Mary, seconded by Paula C.
 - Aye - 13
 - Nay - 0
- Listserv Usage Policy
 - Policy drafted by governance committee to include Listserv Coordinator
 - Covers frequency, selection, and job postings
 - change or adapt as drafted?
 - Motioned by Ashley, seconded by Paula R.
 - Aye - 13
 - Nay - 0
- Other topics
 - Updating Board Matrix
 - Update Bylaws on website with change
 - Role of VCAN for state
 - composition
 - roundtable role
 - serve as advisory body
- **Woodley Scholarship Committee Updates and 2020 Recipients - Paula Crow**
 - Committee consists of Beth, Lee, TeCarla, Jeff
 - Four \$1,000 scholarships rather than two \$2,000 scholarships
 - Videos to come of winners
- **Around the Horn**
 - Reshaud Rich (SCHEV-Access)
 - No real update. Preparing for Gear Up cohort graduation
 - Anne Michie (GRASP)
 - New CEO (Coming from Boy Scouts of America); Restructure to hybrid/virtual model
 - Scott Kemp (SCHEV-Loans)
 - 5 new federal officers to fix problems and some tension; borrower restrictions added
 - Paula Robinson (SCHEV-Diversity)
 - SCHEV looking at safe return plans, equity work rolling out/review schools'
 - Access call w/Secretary of Education, Qarni to address safe reopening decisions
 - Paula Crow (ECMC)
 - Opportunity books continue, reforecast 2020 budget, checking institution-specific info
 - Pause to acknowledge Brenda joining for Conference updates
- **Conference Committee Updates - Brenda McCafferty**
 - Schedule
 - Day 1, Dec. 1st, 1-6pm
 - Day 2, Dec. 3rd morning
 - Propose change to consecutive days
 - Keeping attention
 - Shortening sessions
 - 3, 45 minute simultaneous sessions
 - Continue brainstorming
 - Chat messages suggesting changes, forward to committee
 - Report back on:

- Online sponsorship, theme, prizes/giveaways, expand attendees
- **Racial Equity Conversation**
 - VCAN to issue a statement?
 - statement vs action
 - where/how/etc.
 - What are other organizations doing?
 - include links to other statements
 - prioritize authenticity & getting it right
 - Education, opportunity, and access
 - Conference revolve around equity access
 - Diversity & inclusion micro-grant
 - Establish a review committee
 - How to advance
 - Looking at what is uncomfortable
 - Litmus tests on statements
 - Silence can be deafening
 - Making statement could at least be a stumble forward
 - Joy to draft a statement
 - Forward particular resources/thoughts to Joy
 - This is a good discussion
- **Joy's connection failed and Scott Kemp assumes role as meeting chair**
 - Continue conversation on Racial Equity
 - Ad Hoc meeting scheduled for Friday, July 10th at 3:30pm
 - Draft/edit statement via email in the 2 weeks leading up
 - Continue Around-the-Horn
 - Not a lot of updates left to contribute
 - Lyons Sanchezconcha (RPS)
 - Thoughts on racial equity statement and current state of affairs
 - Joy returns and we prepare to conclude meeting and continue conversation later
- **Adjourn meeting at 5pm**
 - Motioned by Reshaud, seconded by Lyons
 - Aye - 13
 - Nay - 0

The mission of the Virginia College Access Network is to support and enhance post-secondary education access and attainment for residents of the Commonwealth of Virginia. To accomplish this mission, VCAN will support access programs and foster new initiatives; develop information and financial resources for students and families; and promote the benefits of greater access to postsecondary education.