



# Minutes Executive Board Meeting

**March 6, 2020**

**Opryland Hotel, Nashville, Tennessee**

The board convened at 1:12 p.m. Central

Present: Present: Denise Lujan, Patrick Saxon, Wes Anthony, Meredith Sides, Carol Mueller, Annette Cook, and the NOSS membership (approximately 72 members).

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Denise Lujan called the business meeting to order.

Motion to approve the 2019 Business Meeting Minutes.

First: Deb Daiek

Second: Dan Jaycox

Motion passed

### **President's Report (Denise Lujan)**

Gave an overview of some of the major items that the board has worked on in the last year, including all of the logistics involved with changing the name from NADE to NOSS. Discussion about the Rebranding Committee and their good work in moving the Organization forward. Discussed some of the changes, including updating the Organization's mission statement, establishing the Programs of Promise distinction, establishing the Practitioner to Practitioner. Discussion about the many partnerships that the Organization had in the last year.

### **Interim President-Elect Report (Patrick Saxon)**

Gave an overview of the work of the interim President-Elect in the past year. We now have a new Retention Network, to be chaired by Dr. Johari Barnes. We are attempting to try to align the activities of the Committees and Networks with their goals and the goals of the larger Organization. Also gave an overview of the work he did as our NOSS CLADEA representative. He conveyed a lot of information to the CLADEA members about our name change and broader scope. The CLADEA Fellows process has been proposed to change, but that change has not yet been decided.

### **Vice President Report (Wes Anthony)**

Gave an overview of the work of the Vice President in the past year specifically regarding chapters in the organization. Discussion about the fact that  $\frac{2}{3}$  of our chapters have changed their names to update the new change to the NOSS name.

### **Secretary's Report (Meredith Sides)**

Gave an overview of the changes that have been done in the past year, including special projects, like revising the Policies and Procedures Handbook, which should be published for the members on the website by the end of March 2020.

### **Treasurer's Report (Carol Mueller)**

Discussion about some of the hard financial decisions the board made in the last year. Discussion about the membership revenue and conference attendance. Gave an overview of the current financial balance. The board has tried to cut expenses while still maintaining quality programs and resources for the memberships.

### **Conference Manager/Executive Assistant's Report (Annette Cook)**

Discussion about the Executive Assistant working closely with the NOSS Treasurer. She is now managing the website now and wants the members to let her know when they see mistakes or missing items from the website.

### **Other (Denise Lujan)**

The President mentioned to the members that last year was the first year in a long time that we've had a profitable conference. Discussion about how the name change from NADE to NOSS has impacted the Organization positively.

The President installed the new New Jersey chapter officers for the newly re-vamped New Jersey chapter.

Discussion about the general broad goals that the NOSS Board has been considering for the Organization: expanding communication reach, expanding membership, expanding professional development, and organizational structure and operations.

Meeting adjourned at 1:40 p.m. Central