

Governing Council Meeting Agenda
October 1, 2015
Noon – 2:15 pm, BMU 203
CSU - Chico, CA

Note: We will have vouchers for lunch provided at the (BMU) union's food court (11:30 am) and we will share luncheon conversation with members of the Tripartite Council before we convene our council meeting at noon. Check with Ann & Greg about access to the vouchers the morning of the meeting.

Attending Angela Jamie, Wayne Reed, Rene Roselle, Leslie Wilson, Charlotte Harris, Jim Tomlin, Jean Eagle, Audrey Allan, Deb Shanley, Dennis Potthoff, Greg Bernhardt, Ann Foster, Daniella Cook, Heidi Frederick, Audrey Kleinsasser, Deborah Summers, Tina Jacobowitz, Nick Michelli, Catherine Bear, Robert Prickett, Ann Sebald, Carol Hall-Whittier, John Smith

Guests: Concetta Donvito, Trina Yearwood, Caroline Murray, Cori Mantle-Bromley, Tony Smith

1. Welcome from CSU- Chico Hosts & GC Chairperson, Dennis Potthoff
2. Introductions/Conference overview – Ann Foster & Greg Bernhardt
3. There was also a welcome by the college's associate dean - Deborah Summers.
4. Budget update and vote on 2016 operating budget – Greg Bernhardt

Discussion:

Recommended to cut operating budget to be closer to actual income. Marketing is being considered as a line item, which needs to be considered before a budget is developed. What are the reasons for membership dropping? We probably need to ask those who are no longer members rather than those interested and invested in the organization. We can advance the individual membership process and/or add cohort membership, work with those non members who present at the conference to become members, some institutions house organizations and as their commitment they provide a director as part of the contract. There was discussion on lowering dues or looking at a different dues structure. Currently individual members pay \$100 annually for membership, affiliate membership is for 2 years at \$2,000, and settings pay \$5000. The chair suggested that we send out a proposed budget for 2016 to be approved through an electronic vote. Charlotte Harris noted that WSU continues to host the NNER but we may need to reduce office space due to overcrowding.

5. Summer symposium review (2015) and 2016 consideration – The venue in Laramie, WY was successful, attendance met or exceeded previous years, and

the budget was on target. Discussion - Can we rethink the purpose for those re-attending to ensure follow up, and/or add an additional venue for those who have attended previously? Should we send out a request for suggestions for renewal and that be a component of the summer symposia? The NNER is interested in settings that would consider having the symposium there. Perhaps consider multiple symposia with local emphasis. We need to become activists with the external context. Do we need to rethink travel and venues in general? Can we combine the symposium and the fall conference? Summer symposium budget: income \$20,150 expenses \$17,195.

6. League of Democratic Schools proposal – Audrey Kleinsasser

WY proposed hosting the League of Democratic Schools, which is no longer supported as a program by the IEI, due to the closing of the IEI, post John Goodlad's death. The WY partnership and the LDS are asking the NNER for \$3000 annually to host this program for 3 years to determine if it is a possible good fit with the NNER. The IEI has \$24000 to contribute to for holding an annual conference for the LDS in 2016, but will no longer provide any additional funding. Audrey provided the locations of where the LDSs are currently located?

Audrey moved to adopt the proposal, and Deb Shanley seconded.

Comments: some members requested more information and time for understanding the LDS. Is the \$9,000 + \$12,000 annually to shore up the LDS? The proposal and the IEI are requesting a response and decision from the NNER this fall if possible. The motion was called and the result of the vote was:

7 yes

6 no

1 abstain

Passed

7. Elections – conducted by GC Chair, Dennis Potthoff – Nominations for Position A – GC Chairperson – Vi Florez; Nominations for positions B - GC At Large nominees/2 to be elected:

Angela Jamie

Jennie Rakestraw

Jen Robinson

Elections were conducted by paper ballot and counted by John Smith and Deb Shanley:

Elected Vi Florez Chair

Jennie Rakestraw at large

Jen Robinson at large

Tripartite Council Elections were conducted earlier in the morning. Results:

Jim Tomlin A&S chair
Audrey Allan P-12 School chair
Daniella Cook COE chair

Newly elected representatives will attend the Executive Board meeting in December, 2015. The meeting will be held in Arlington, TX Dec. 11 & 12, 2015, site of the October, 2016 NNER fall conference hosted by UTA setting.

8. Policy Survey Update – Nick Michelli noted that the survey is out and more respondees are needed. Kappa Delta Pi/NNER publication update and information (Fall issue 2016) – Nick Michelli will be the guest editor from the NNER and he summarized the process and encouraged participation from throughout the NNER. Nick shared that proposals for articles will be due by the end of Oct., reviewed by mid Dec., April 1 for initial manuscripts, comments and revisions by May. Contact Nick Michelli for additional details.
9. Winter Governing Council Meeting, at AACTE, Las Vegas, NV Tuesday 2/23/16 – time TBA but have requested 9 am – noon timeframe and assume it will be assigned to a the main conference hotel.
10. Equity and Social Justice Committee update – Angela Jaime & Wayne Reed
The first official meeting to be held Thursday, Oct 1 over dinner and issues to be addressed include how can we examine diversity and equity? A diversity training will be piloted at two settings and results shared.
11. Tripartite council reports and election results –Seeking more ways to get A&S involvement, P-12 suggested a venue at the conferences to work with ways schools are implementing the NNER agenda, and Deb Shanley indicated that members of COE noted the importance of voice in the larger context.
12. 2016 Conference Information, Oct. 27-29, 2016, UTA, TX – John Smith provided information and a handout that was also distributed to the conference attendees
Theme—Progress Through Purpose: Sharing Our Journey Toward Renewal
13. Annual Conference Consideration – TPC input and Task Force efforts – Greg & Ann will collate input and discuss options and possibilities at the Dec. EB meeting. It is anticipated that the Governing Council may review possibilities and consider action(s) at the Feb. 2016 meeting in Las Vegas.
14. Membership update –a new setting was announced as joining by Cori Mantle Bromley, Dean, University of Idaho, and will join in 2016 as an affiliate member. Three settings have not renewed their membership – UTEP, UNK, and ISU. Ann and Greg

15. Marketing Report/Survey – Dennis Potthoff and Audrey Allan summarized the work to date and Audrey will finalize the information from the marketing class and from feedback from TC.
16. NNER Journal Update and soliciting some input – Rene Roselle provided an overview and summary and update for next edition of the journal. Members of the GC thanked her and the editorial board for their efforts and applauded the current copy of the journal that was distributed in hard copy at the meeting and now is available at the NNER website.
17. Dennis Potthoff, outgoing chair of the Governing Council was thanked for his leadership over the last 4 years and for being a good steward of the NNER during his tenure at the UNK setting.

Next Governing Council meeting – February 23rd, Las Vegas, NV at AACTE, time TBA