

## ***NCDA Annual Membership Meeting***

*Thursday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012*

10:15 am – 11:15 am



Meeting called to order by Deb Osborn, President, at 10:18 am.

Introduction of the NCDA Board of Directors by Deb Osborn.

Introduction of Parliamentarian, Mark Pope, by Deb Osborn.

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve agenda made by Pat Schwallie-Giddis, Virginia; seconded by Linda Kobylarz, Connecticut. Motion carries.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes from the 2011 Annual Membership Meeting made by Mark Danaher, Connecticut and seconded by Janet Wall, Virginia. Motion carries.

Treasurer's Report by Charles Lehman

Questions from the Floor: Cecilia Craig, 1) Please explain the "Bad Debt," 2) In terms of publications, have you considered offering members the option of e-copies only?

Charles Lehman explained that the "Bad Debt" was a line item recommended by the independent auditors as a place to account for older uncollected debt as well as a large international order placed by credit card that was rejected three months after initially being approved. As for publications, we have moved towards more electronic offerings and will continue to explore those options while honoring some members' desires to receive paper copies.

Old Business: None

New Business:

### **1. New State Division:**

Mark Danaher, Connecticut, moves to accept the charter for the Rhode Island Career Development Association, seconded by Ellen Weaver Paquette, Rhode Island. Motion carries unanimously.

### **2. New International Affiliates:**

Alberto Puertas, Utah, moves to accept the Peru Career Development Association as a new International Affiliate. Seconded by Cheri Butler, Texas. Motion carries unanimously.

Soon Hoon Ahn, Virginia, moves to accept the Korean Career Development Organization as a new International Affiliate. Seconded by Jane Goodman, Michigan. Motion carries unanimously.

**3. NCDA Board Elections.** Slate of candidates presented by Cheri Butler, Nominations Committee Chairperson. Opportunity presented for nominations from the floor. No additional candidates presented. Motion to close nominations made by Pat Schwallie-Giddis, Virginia; seconded by Michelle Beese, California. Motion carries unanimously.

**4. Volunteer NCDA members to serve on the 2013-2014 Nominations and Elections Committee to be chaired by then Past-President, Deb Osborn:**

- Linda Kobylarz, Connecticut
- Robin Cleveland, Virginia

**5. Bylaws Proposal:** John Wilgeroth, Chairperson, speaking on behalf of the NCDA Bylaws Committee, moves to accept the bylaws changes as presented in the NCDA Membership Meeting Report. Note that if the motion is accepted by this group at the Annual Meeting, it will then be forwarded to the general membership for vote. Deb Osborn moves to open the discussion on this motion. Motion carries.

- Jane Goodman, Michigan, moves to amend the proposed changes by removing the provision regarding the ACA Governing Representative; seconded by Carolyn Thomas from Alabama. Written statement distributed. Discussion opened. Individual comments limited to two minutes:

Deborah Walsh, Maine, asked for clarification on the wording of whether the ACA Governing Rep is elected by NCDA or ACA members.

Carole Minor, Illinois, past-president and former ACA Governing Council rep referred to a legal opinion previously provided to the NCDA board seeking to determine if having an elected official on both board (as it is currently) is legal.

Linda Kobylarz, Connecticut, believes that any official elected by NCDA should be a board member on our board.

Carole Minor, Illinois, stated that it is essential that information from the ACA board be communicated back to the NCDA board regularly.

Lee Richmond, Maryland, past-president is in strong support of the amendment.

Roger Lambert, Wisconsin, supports the amendment as is. It is important to recognize that the board is presenting this proposal unanimously and that a past-president should be able to represent the needs of NCDA effectively whether currently on the NCDA Board or not.

Pat Schwallie-Giddis, Virginia, commented that the ACA Governing Council is currently mixed. Some associations include the ACA Governing Council rep on their board while others do not.

Lisa Severy, Colorado, explained some of the board's rationale including the stated preference by ACA that the rep not be on the board of the group represented (although it is not prohibited), the potential conflict of interest and time, and the difficulty of serving on two national boards simultaneously.

Jane Goodman, Michigan, asked for clarification on the ACA opinion related to this issue.

Deneen Pennington, Oklahoma, NCDA Executive Director, replied that Richard Yep, ACA Executive Director, told the NCDA Board that while ACA does not prohibit ACA Governing Council Reps from serving on the boards of the groups they represent, it is not preferred.

Cecilia Craig, California, asked for a point of clarification that this amendment only pertains to the ACA governing rep.

The question is called and Deb Osborn asks for final comments or questions. Hearing none, the vote is collected by show of green voting cards provided to members at the beginning of the meeting.

Motion to amend carries.

#### Further Discussion:

Tom Phillips, Michigan, asked for clarification on the president elect-elect position.

Linda Kobylarz, asked for clarification on the early voting.

Cecilia Craig, California, expresses the opinion that the secretary and treasurer roles be kept to two years but decided not to offer an amendment. Charles Lehman responded that the positions require some specialized knowledge and skills that come to full fruition in the second year. Adding another year allows NCDA to maximize given that learning curve. It also puts them in alignment with the trustee length of terms. Deb Osborn also commented that the two positions do not run concurrently, so they are not up for election during the same year.

Question is called and vote is called. Motion carries as amended.

Motion to adjourn made at 11:35 am by Rebecca Dedmond, Virginia and seconded by Mark Danaher, Connecticut. Motion carries.

The results of the slate were announced at the first general session. On the ballot for the 2012-13 NCDA Elections are:

President-Elect: Mark Danaher and Alberto Puertas

Treasurer: Charles Lehman and Marilyn Maze

Trustee-At-Large: Thomas Dodson and Hyung Joon Yoon

Western Region Trustee: Mary Ellen Earnhardt and Carol Vecchio

*\*Minutes approved via e-vote concluding on July 12, 2012 by NCDA Board.*