

NEOA – Board of Directors Meeting Westbrook, Connecticut

March 31, 2008
Called to Order:
Adjourned: 4:28

Present: Tracy Karasinski, Donna Thompson, Nella Signorello, Ramon Gonzalez, Erik Klein, Deb McCann, Mary Jo Madden, Casey Henderson, Steve Visco, Allen Glotzer, Sarah Morrell, Paul Lynskey. Laura Mielke, Jennifer Buckley, Monda Kelley, Jennifer Jones, Karen Madden arrived at 2:00

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Call to Order	Call to order— Approval of the agenda:	
Secretary's Report Monda Kelley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presented minutes of January 2008 meeting. Several changes noted from MaryJo Madden, Tracy Karasinski and Reggie Jean. • Minutes to be revised, redistributed and approved at June meeting. 	
Finance Committee Report Deb McCann	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written report provided 	
Treasurer's Report Mary Jo Madden	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written report provided 	
President's Report Tracy Karasinski	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • T. Karasinski selected highlights from written report • NE's turnout and impact during recent Policy Seminar in DC was outstanding! • Thanked Nella and conference committee for outstanding job planning the conference; encouraged Board Members to attend Newcomer's reception 	
Past-President's Report Linda Shiller	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • T. Karasinski referred board members to written report 	
President-Elect's Report Donna Thompson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fair share going well; NEOA continues to lead the country in raising Fairshare monies. 	Action Item: follow-up with making payments

		for Fairshare see report.
Vice President's Report Nella Signorello	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conference activities are going well. Details were discussed. • Development • Entertainment • Coupons for outlets. • Name tags • Casino • Need help putting together the bags and with meal Vouchers. • Ramon: Newcomers reception, Tracy will also speak to newcomers. • Donna will speak to Fair share and, there will be a scavenger hunt. 	
Development Julia Nesbitt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written report provided. Development efforts are moving along and are on target with fundraising goals. ASA has not made a solid commitment yet and this is an area of concern. 	
Legislation & Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed under State Initiatives 	
Professional Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written report provided. Action plan was developed on how to streamline activities. Karen has come up with a projected timeline and a budgeting proposal so that activities can be more consistent with funding certain activities. • Steve suggested that it may be beneficial to have new PD person to June meeting so that they can get information in advance prior to the delegation on PD activates. 	
Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written report provided. 294 paid members, 70 in process as of 3/21/08 • Are you automatically added to the listserve if you become a member? • Are new members sent a link to the Facebook page? • In order to vote a delegate assembly you must be a paid member. • Tracy will need a list of paid members. 	
NEOA Achiever Alumni Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written report provided. 17 to 18 nominees for achievers award. Outstanding! • Alumni Dinner on Wednesday night and there are 52 alumni registered. • FACEBOOK – Steve and Laura presented alumni Facebook page on Reggie's behalf. Target is to go live with Facebook site soon. Reggie sent a PDF of what the face book site looks like. Link to alumni site and space for photos, 	Action: further discussion in regard to membership. Do

	<p>videos and alike.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sarah about promoting the site. Reggie would like to put a link to the site on everyone's state pages. • Alan Glotzer asked about administrative approval -- what will be the criteria for approving membership in the site? Basically if you say you are alum, you are alum. Would need to speak to Reggie in regard to criteria and questions for approval. Is there a need to clearly define who can participate and limit who should be considered in the Facebook? • Karen Madden said that one of the issues with their FACEBOOK page is the maintenance of the site. She is wondering who would be responsible for that. • Karen suggested that it may be worthy of discussion as Board Membership changes and the administrator would have to change. • Mary Jo Madden wondered if this would be open for current students or if it is just for alumni use. • Nella feels that this may be a good way for current students to connect with alumni. • Deb McCann stated that it does say on Reggie's proposal that only individuals who are determined alumni can be added to the program. • Reggie would be asking for a list of alumni from program directors. 	<p>Motion: Alan to approve the concept of the FACEBOOK and move forward with implementation while working to address questions raised in discussion.</p> <p>Second: Ramon</p> <p>Approved unanimously</p> <p>Members are asked to develop a list of concerns and questions and forward directly to Reggie</p>
State Initiatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sarah highlighted items from written report • Worked on TRiO Day and served as judge in Banner competition • Worked on pulling activities together at Policy Seminar. • An update will come out later this week to continue to work on state initiatives. • Awarded 3 state initiative grants so far. • Would like to have a few more, still waiting for proposals from NH, CT and RI. 	
Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number crunching for the conference • RSVPs for the alumni reception • Worked with Paul on Newsletter • Working on getting Trio Day pictures posted. • Helping a great deal with NEAO registration 	
Public Relations Paul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newsletter was the main concentration; it is posted on the website. There is an effort to get information out about the marketing brochures. Paul has asked members to speak at the state meetings about the use of the brochures and the news letter and that people can contribute to it. • The idea is that the news letters will accompany the brochures to educate 	<p>Action: meet during breakfast, to discuss certain actions in regard to the paper. Sarah Morrell, Jennifer Jones,</p>

	the public about Trio services.	Paul Lynski, Kasey Henderson and Tracy Karasinski to meet.
TRIO Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tracy highlighted items from Trio Day report submitted by Marsha Inniss-Mitchell. It was a big success. There were 43 programs represented. Attended by 640 participants, 40 college tours, 78 colleges represented at the College Fair. 22 banners were displayed. Only 7 programs participated in the community service offered. 	
Connecticut	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connecticut has been working on the conference. CT was well-represented at Policy seminar College Goal Sunday was represented at four sites. They are looking forward to expanding in future years and participating in more College Goal Sundays. 	
Maine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 alumni represented at Policy Seminar. Both Senators & Representatives signed on to letters for appropriations Trio Day on March 11, 2009 – working on a site Maine Conference possibly in Portland. Trio Year book was distributed. It is used for informational statistics. 	
Massachusetts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conference set for Oct 7th in Lowell. Putting together a state initiative grant. Looking at creating a scholarship for leadership institute in Mass. 101 members in mass 11 people from mass 2 alumni represented at the Policy seminar Director's symposium late may. 	
New Hampshire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allen Glotzer. This has been a wonderful period for NH and trio in that three of the 4 legislators have signed on to the appropriations in asking for One hundred million dollars for trio. One of our congressional representatives who has become an avid trio representative. 	
Rhode Island	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For the first time this year, RI participated in College Goal Sunday. It was nice that Trio was represented. Policy seminar went well and the impact was commensurate with the senators. 	
Vermont	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sent out March 20th. Great time in Washington, setting up meetings for May 1st, 40 students involved in Trio day at the Vermont Legislature, Legislatures seemed to be really impacted this year, and it is beginning to have an impact on a state level. Karen Madden is running for president elect. 	
Old Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Council has a newly-launched STEM division; Kathy Kalikole is director June board meeting at Sebago Lake in June 3 & 4 (Thurs and Friday) 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider what we would like to see on the agenda or things that would have value? • Revisit the archives and revisit the NEOA history • Look at strategic plan and how things seem to focus around events and consider how to • Implement strategic plans. • Let Tracy know of thoughts as to concerns and issues of further discussion. • We should have some time to discuss the leadership institute and possibly new strategies for recruitment and implementation. • The possibility of advanced leadership opportunities. Possibly through a brainstorming session of different models, etc. • Membership-wide survey on professional development needs and what people would like to see in regard to additional professional development. • Credits for continuing Education as a suggestion and look to see if this is something that can be considered.
Adjourn	4:28 – Motion to Adjourn, Ramon Gonzalez second by Laura Mielke.

