

NCECA Annual Members' Meeting
Sunday September 24, 2023
Zoom

In Attendance: NCECA Board Members; Rhonda Willers (President), Patsy Cox, Antra Sinha, Alex Hibbitt, Horacio Rodriguez, Rick Rogers, Shoji Satake, Yesha Panchal, MaPó Kinnord, Stacy Larson, Angelique Scott, Carletta Williams, PJ Anderson, Michelle Castro, Jeff Vick, Presidential Appointees Kate Lydon and NCECA Staff; Helen Anderson, Allyson Hoeffelmeyer, Jacqueline Hardy, Jenn Chrisman, Tammy Lynn and Executive Director Josh Green and 19 NCECA Members.

Absent: Heidi McKenzie, Adam Chau, Ife Williams

3.00pm ET meeting called to order by NCECA President Rhonda Willers

Rhonda welcomed the members and gave an overview of the meeting.

A 33-minute prerecorded video presentation began the members' meeting, with board and staff members reporting on the work of the board this year, the success of the 2023 conference, some financial challenges and NCECA's excitement for the year ahead.

Order of Business:

Rhonda Willers, President

Welcome

Josh Green, Executive Director

Staff and Organizational Updates, Reflection on 2022/23 NCECA year, look forward to 2023.

Heidi McKenzie, Collaboration and Engagement Director

Collaboration and Engagement Initiatives

Rick Rogers, Treasurer

Financial Health

Helen Anderson, Finance and Accounting Manager

Budget overview

Stacy Larson, Student Director at Large

Student Opportunities

Patsy Cox, Board Steward

Fellowships and Awards, Board nominations

MeLisa Zackery, Conference Manager

Looking Forward to Richmond 2024.

Edith Garcia, Managing Director of Communications

Communications Update

Angelique Scott and Jeff Vick, Onsite Liaisons for Richmond, 2024

Richmond is ready!

After the video presentations, Josh shared some highlights for the 2023 Richmond Conference.

Q and A started around 3.35PM, moderated by Rhonda Willers and MaPó Kinnord

There were no questions for the board, but several members commented about their experiences at the 2023 Conference in Cincinnati-

Lois Wilkins said that the opening and closing speakers in Cincinnati were extraordinary.

Ruby Lopez Harper shared that they really enjoyed the conference - and loved the interactive session the board hosted regarding the DEI work and community engagement opportunities. Also, the offsite exhibitions that were publicized happening concurrently with the conference, gave them a chance to get out into the community and meet folks.

Rhonda responded that she is very grateful for the work of the Collaboration and Engagement committee, hosting the Meet and Greets at the conference and their monthly Cultivating Community Instagram events.

CJ O Neill stated that it was their first NCECA conference and was amazing. Such an inclusive and supportive community to be part of for that short time. They met some fantastic people and made lasting connections.

MaPó encouraged the members to reach out to their local communities to build connections and community. Angelique shared some things that are happening in Richmond. She is excited for people to come in March. Antra and Horacio gave an intro to the 2024 conference site, Salt Lake City.

NCECA Member Elaine Henry said Salt Lake City will be her 32nd NCECA. She wouldn't miss it! She encouraged everyone to get involved.

Rhonda thanked everyone for coming and said she looks forward to seeing everyone in Richmond next year. She encouraged folks to reach out if they have questions or concerns.

4.05PM ET, meeting adjourned by NCECA President Rhonda Willers.