

NCECA Board meeting via Skype – August 4, 2010 7:00 p.m. CDT

Present: Keith W, Patsy C, Anna C H, Chanda G, Cindy B S, Lee B, Marge L, Rhonda W, Steve H, Brian K, Linda G, Glenda T, Brian R (via speaker phone)

1. Glenda reported that the 2010-11 Nominations Committee of Elaine Henry, Chair, Patsy Cox, Rhonda Willers, and Susan Harris was approved by Survey Monkey vote.
2. Keith reported that the ED search process is proceeding positively and hopes for finalization soon. He also updated the Board about his experiences in Erie, review of staff and process of interview.
3. Lee led the Board through detailed discussion of Budget as prepared by Finance Committee and Helen and presented to Board via e-mail. He noted that the budgetary process had resulted in the presentation of a balanced budget (\$8351 in the black) through careful examination of all submitted projects and thoughtful cutting when necessary by all involved.
4. Lee moved to approve the budget as presented. Cindy seconded. After discussion of Donor Recognition/VIP reception, various board members felt the amount was too much to spend for this line item. A friendly amendment was offered to reduce funding for the Donor Recognition/VIP reception. Lee accepted the friendly amendment, but Cindy, the seconder, did not, due to commitments that Dori may have already made for the event. The amendment failed. Discussion continued on the question of amount for Donor recognition/VIP reception. Keith pointed out that a budget variance could be considered for any line item in the budget. It was noted that the Board wishes to reduce the amount of money spent on this item and will convey this intent to Dori, conference planner.
5. Discussion continued on all remaining budget pages, including Critical Santa Fe budget for publication of proceedings, film series, membership card costs, exhibitions, newsletter publication costs.
6. During the meeting, the following items were noted for recording:
 - A. Change name of R(regional)SJE to N(national)SJE on publications budget – and all future references to student exhibition.
 - B. Jim Romberg and Brian Kohl will work together for recording and transfer of archived information from Critical Santa Fe.
 - C. Anna and Brian R will make a list of marketing/media needs for Marko, with dates for Tampa conference.
7. Under Publications, Line 62 was reduced to \$500 and line 63 was reduced to \$300, resulting in a cut of \$4200 from the budget. The EC had recommended that the only hard copy of the on-line Newsletter be a print out mailed to those who request it, not a

designed and published newsletter. The budget was reduced accordingly. Cindy moved these amendments to the budget. All Board members approved.

8. Following all discussion, the Board voted on the budget as amended. The 2010-11 NCECA Budget was passed unanimously, with the only change from initially presented budget being a reduction of \$4200 in Publications line. The adopted 2010-11 NCECA budget has a positive bottom line of \$12,551. Meeting adjourned.
9. Budget variances may be necessary through the year to respond to changing conditions, needs, and funds. Please join the NCECA budget wiki to discuss possible budget variations in Sponsor recognition, China Symposium, Staff salaries/benefits.
10. Action that has occurred since the Skype NCECA Board Budget meeting: Through Survey Monkey vote of the NCECA Board, Jeff Forester, Ceramics chair, the Museum of Fine Arts/The Glassell School of Art, Houston, TX, has been approved as the On Site Conference Liaison for Houston conference.

Minutes recorded and submitted by Glenda Taylor, secretary.