

NCECA Board meeting Sept 19, 2010 via Skype 8:00 p.m. CDT

Present on-line or phone: Keith, Patsy, Lee, Steve, Glenda, Linda, Rhonda, Brian K, Anna, Brian R., Cindy, Chanda

1. Lee moved and Brian K seconded that the board approve agenda item 1 regarding the Executive Director negotiation points from spread sheet presented by Keith, excepting lines 30-33. This includes 3% match for staff 401K retirement plan. Motion passed unanimously.
2. The board discussed in detail lines 30-33 of E.D negotiation package. These items included (30) On site 6 months/Telecommuting 6 months; (31) Travel to and from Erie allowance; (32)Housing in Erie, and (33)Furnishing for housing. The board expressed concerns over costs and time on site, but also reiterated support for the candidate and desire to accommodate his needs. Lee moved and Rhonda seconded that the Board approve lines 30-33. Motion passed unanimously. Keith will go forward with ED negotiations.
3. Budget items discussed included budget variance for Critical Santa Fe to cover registration, travel, and hotel for Planning Committee as requested by Jim. Board members felt it was important to honor promises made to these individuals, even though the item was not included in CSF budget. Keith pointed out that NCECA must cover a minimum of hotel rooms whether they are occupied or not. Cindy moved to approve a \$7000 budget to cover this item for CSF. Anna seconded. The board grudgingly approved of this budget variance.
4. A second budget variance for Critical Santa Fe involved the amount allotted for student scholarships. Linda moved to approve \$800 for additional student scholarships for CSF. Patsy seconded. The board approved unanimously. The student scholarship selection committee will determine how to award the additional money to students.
5. The board also discussed day passes for CSF and determined not to make day passes available for this conference.
6. Linda requested an additional \$5000 for the Project Space at Tampa conference. She moved to approve this budget variance, Patsy seconded. After discussion on methods of cost saving for transportation and shipping, the motion was approved.
7. Anna moved to approve affiliate status for Arvada Center for the Arts as host of a collaborative exhibition in Fall 2011. Rhonda seconded. Motion passed. This will be a budget item for 2011. Linda will coordinate exhibition efforts with Arvada Center.
8. Keith reported that he will talk with Big Ceramic Store this week about the matter of NCECA.com ownership.

9. Marko's proposal to include NCECA Directory (with photo option) in Journal was discussed. Lee moved to accept the proposal, Linda seconded. After much discussion, action on the motion was postponed until more information can be gathered.
10. Glenda moved to make rooms in the convention center in Tampa available to commercial/non-profit exhibitors at a price recommended by Dori. Steve Seconded. Discussion centered on fairness, appropriate use of space, distraction from exhibitors. Motion was defeated. The rooms may be used for breakouts/Topical Discussions, and perhaps offered for social events such as receptions, etc.
11. Chanda requested that students selected for student programming at Tampa conference be given conference pass. After discussion, but no decision, it was determined that more information could be shared through wiki forum. Chanda will send link to Board members to further this matter.
12. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m. CDT

The following motions were voted on via Survey Monkey and approved 8/30 and 9/10:

1. Approval to sponsor the Archie Bray Foundation's 60th anniversary celebration with a quid pro quo exchange in a written agreement.
2. Approved setting aside \$3000 to continue to honor our commitment to co-host the reciprocal China symposium pending a more concrete budget submission by Joe Molinaro.
3. Approved making \$2000 for support of OSCL activities three years out contingent on submission of proposal/application.
4. Approved to change the advertising benefit for NCECA Corporate and Institutional members from print advertising to digital logos featured in e-news and/or e-blasts. The logos will include hpyertext (live) link to members' websites.