



NNALSA General Board Meeting Agenda

April 17, 2022

2:00 p.m. (PST); 2:00 p.m. (AZ); 3:00 p.m. (MT); 4:00 p.m. (CST); 5:00 p.m. (EST)

Present

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> President Siena Kalina | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Area 3 Rep: Yvonne Theresa SparrowSmith |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vice-President Emiliano Salazar | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Area 4 Rep: Robin Bilagody |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Treasurer Vicki Alberts | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Area 5 Rep: Justin Russell |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Secretary Kevin C. Barnett | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Area 6 Rep: VACANT |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Relations Clayton Fulton | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Area 7 Rep: Auston Jimmicum |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moot Court Coordinator: Vacant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Area 8 Rep: Ashalon Crowfoot Goodrich (Late Arrival) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Area 1 Rep: Kandace Littlefoot | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Area 2 Rep: Kelby Welsh | |

Absent:

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Agenda -

1. Call to Order, Siena Kalina, President
 - a. 3:02 pm MDT
2. Roll Call, Kevin C. Barnett, Secretary
3. Agenda Approval: CST
 - a. Motion: President Kalina
 - b. Second: Rep. Sparrowsmith
4. Announcements
 - a. Introductions of Each Member
 - b. President Siena Kalina
 - i. Rising 3L Colorado
 - ii. Osage Nation Member
 - iii. President
 - iv. Want to continue expanding the fundraising efforts into the new year, including scholarship efforts; excited to be working with everyone; ready to capitalize on the fresh momentum of Indian law
 - c. Vice President Salazar

- i. Rising 3L, Colorado
 - ii. Mexican Descent, Descendant Apache
 - iii. Want to focus on more scholarships, activities at different chapters; rebuilding after COVID, especially in light of engagement deficiencies on local levels after previous years
 - iv. Vice President
- d. Clayton Fulton Public Relations Officer
 - i. Rising 3L Michigan University
 - ii. Cherokee Nation Member
 - iii. PR
 - iv. Want to focus on communication with local chapters; increase social media presence, make everyone more aware of NNALSA year-round work; include
- e. Kevin C. Barnett, Secretary
 - i. University of Kansas School of Law
 - ii. Rising 3L
 - iii. Background in Indian Child Welfare work for the Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians
 - iv. Work with Navajo Nation Council last summer
 - v. Working with Navajo Nation Office of the Prosecutor this summer
- f. Vicki Alberts, Treasurer
 - i. Rising 2L at University of North Dakota
 - ii. Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara affiliated, heritage stems from ARikara specifically; Standing Rock Sioux and SPirit Lake affiliations as well
 - iii. Treasurer
 - iv. Want to focus on fundraising, been living and operating in Indian Country whole life, product of tribal college and want to promote awareness of the importance of those colleges, “right in your backyard”; those students CAN pursue law degrees and tribal colleges CAN provide the necessary education to succeed in law school settings; it is possible
- g. Area 1 Kandace Littlefoot
 - i. Rising 2L Uof Arizona
 - ii. Diné of northern Arizona
 - iii. Mother of young child
 - iv. Want to expand collaboration and support with local chapters
 - v. It can get lonely faring on own as a chapter and responsibility of Board to make greater sense of community
- h. Area 2, Kelby Welsh
 - i. Colorado - Rising 3L; Cherokee Nation
 - ii. Fundraising focus to bring focus on issues in Indian Country, not just for local chapters but things we can do as a whole
- i. Area 3 Yvonne Theresa SparrowSmith
 - i. “Urban Indian” White Mountain Apache; Acoma Sky Pueblo
 - ii. Secretary of Washburn’s NALSA
 - iii. Navy Corpsman
 - iv. “Grandma of the Group”
 - v. Founder of advocacy group for Hispanics, Natives, similar groups in undergrad career in Colorado
 - vi. Want to focus on fundraising efforts as well; nullpronomial; two-spirited specifically, just refer to Yvonne by Yvonne’s name

- vii. Secretary's Notes: "SparrowSmith" is correct spelling, NOT "Sparrowsmith"
 - j. Area 4 Robin Bilagody
 - i. Rising 2L at Michigan State University
 - ii. Gila River Indian Community of Arizona Member
 - iii. Non-traditional student, mother; second auntie of group
 - iv. Want to focus on building relationships within local chapters within Area 4
 - k. Area 5 Justin Russell
 - i. Rising 2L at Campbell University School of Law (North Carolina)
 - ii. Choctaw Member, Cherokee Descendant
 - iii. Hoping to work in this role to expand relationships, especially after loneliness we have all faced and Native law students have faced over past few years
 - iv. Secretary's Notes: Misspelling of last name on NNALSA website
 - l. Area 7 Auston Jimmicum
 - i. Rising 3L at University of Idaho
 - ii. Macaw, Odawa; Member of Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa Indians in Michigan
 - iii. Want to accomplish goal of increasing solidarity between different chapters in his area; one of his classmates is the previous Area 7 Rep. but she was not able to complete as many goals as she would have liked; want to come back from having gone our own ways, multi-campus events; more inter-chapter collaboration
 - m. Area 8, Ashalon Crowfoot Goodrich
 - i. Blackfoot Siksika Nation
 - ii. One goal is to get chapters in her area more connected, revive inactive NALSA chapters, down to one chapter in Minnesota; mother as well; going to have three teenagers in high school; going to be NALSA President for Mitchell Hamline
 - iii. Secretary's Notes: Clarify tribal affiliation, potentially misheard
- 5. Discussion Items
- 6. Introduction
- 7. Old Business
 - a. Moot Court Competition Applicants Still Needed
 - i. Moving into filling open positions discussion
- 8. New Business
 - a. Email Accounts
 - i. Has everyone been able to access the relevant email accounts?
 - ii. Justin Russell still in process of getting access to his Area Rep. email, old rep. Could not remember what the password was
 - iii. Yvonne has access but Yvonne may need help in changing certain names and things for ease of use, will coordinate with Siena to resolve
 - iv. Discussed scam problem, including emails that say from, say, Siena; need to be especially vigilant
 - b. General Meeting Day/ Time
 - i. Need once a month meeting; last year not a single meeting where every Board member attended, need to find consistent monthly time; will be sending out a link to discern the ideal times/days of the week that work best for everyone's schedules; two weeks to return poll
 - c. Handbook

- i. Everyone needs to read through the handbook and return signed acknowledgement; want to avoid attendance problems right off the bat; discussed three strikes policy
 - ii. Any questions/concerns?
 - o None
 - d. Bylaws
 - i. Everyone needs to have read through those; last year Board declined to amend bylaws, no rush to accomplish our goal of amending bylaws, but we will be reviewing and revising
 - e. Committee Sign-ups
 - i. Going to be sending out a Google form after this meeting to fill out, two-week return window;
 - ii. Ranking the committees you want to be chair of various committees, some committees of course have designated chair by bylaws (e.g., Finance Committee chaired by Treasurer.
 - iii. We will have goal of having Committee assignments all figured out by the next meeting next month
 - iv. Will be requesting resume along with Committee assignment lists
 - v. Will be figuring out each Committee's budget, lots of time that we will all be spending on committees, last year we did not have any committee submit a budget
 - vi. Want people to sign up for committees they are *actually* interested in, please be thoughtful in making a choice so we play to our strengths
 - f. Filling Open Positions - Area 6 Representative; New Moot Court Administrator
 - i. Area 6
 - o President will be sending out an email to the chapter representatives for all the NALSA chapters located in Area 6 and request proposals for filling the vacancy
 - o Full Board will then vote on who will fill the vacancy
 - ii. Moot Court Administrator / Who Will Host 2023 Moot Court
 - o Palmer Scott at University of Oklahoma indicated Oklahoma's potential interest in hosting
 - o Asked the Area Representatives to send out email to their local chapters requesting updated contact information and to solicit host bids in that email
 - o Siena will be including a summary of this in an email following our meeting
 - o Want to establish host school ASAP
 - iii. ALSO, need writing competition host school; much lower commitment but will have deadline for both be June 1st
- 9. Recap/ Other Discussion Points from other Board members
 - a. Will be sending out various action items to the Board
 - b. Yvonne asks about cords and mailing them out; Siena okay mailing out cords to members
 - i. Anyone who needs cords can email Siena's NNALSA email
 - c. Kevin will get notice sent out further in advance of the May meeting, along with agenda
- 10. Closing:
 - a. Yvonne offered thoughts on our first meeting, no Apache word for goodbye
 - b. Well-wishes for our finals

Adjournment: 341 pm MDT

c. Motion: Clayton

d. Second: Kalina

e. Kevin noted Adjournment and Meeting Concluded