



NNALSA General Board Meeting Agenda

May 16, 2022

5:30 p.m. (PST); 5:30 p.m. (AZ); 6:30 p.m. (MT); 7:30 p.m. (CST); 8:30 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"/> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moot Court Coordinator: VACANT | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Area 8 Rep: Ashalon Crowfoot Goodrich |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Area 2 Rep: Kelby Welsh | |

Absent:

- Area 1 Rep: Kandace Littlefoot
- Area 7 Rep: Auston Jimmicum

Agenda -

1. Call to Order, Siena Kalina, President
 - a. Gaveled in at: 632 MT
2. Roll Call, Kevin C. Barnett, Secretary - Taken
3. Agenda Announcement & Any Amendments
4. Agenda Approval: 6:35 MT
 - a. Motion: Clayton Fulton
 - b. Second: Siena Kalina
5. Announcements
 - a. None
6. Old Business
 - a. Email Accounts Follow-Up
 - i. Justin still having issues logging in with NNALSA account, switching over phone numbers etc.
 - ii. President: We will fully switch over to NNALSA emails at the end of the summer
 - b. Area 6 Representative Vacancy Follow-Up

- i. Have an incoming 1L at Columbia Law School who put their name in for Area 6 Representative
- c. Committee Sign-Ups Follow-Up
 - i. President: Everyone able to review assignments?
 - o No chair presently for the annual/mid-year conference committee; could have co-chairs, preferring those who have not been
 - o Representative Bilagody; Representative Crowfoot Goodrich; Representative Littlefoot expressed their interest in co-chairing and were so assigned by the President
 - ii. The chairs of each of the committees are responsible for organizing and coordinating a meeting ahead of our next full Board meeting so that we can ascertain costs and turn our rough gameplans into the Finance Committee
 - o At the next Board meeting (June 2022) the chairs will need to provide oral updates to the full Board to discuss the substance of each of the committee meetings
- d. (President's Added Items)
 - i. Discussion regarding the job announcements that relevant entities are sending NNALSA's way to have NNALSA post or disseminate amongst their membership; discussion between President and PR Director regarding utility of posting certain job announcements and the varying types of jobs being sent their way
 - o Deferred point to the Chair of the Comms. Rep. Russell
 - ii. President opened floor to seeking advice on how NNALSA can keep present across the summer and keep people involved in the organization over the summer
 - o Rep. Goodrich proposed social media-type contests where members could answer quick questions regarding pro-tribal versus anti-tribal case law
 - a. Poll format
 - b. Mitchell-Hamline could have prizes for those who provide the best responses
 - c. The platform to do this is already ready-to-roll
 - o Secretary discussed upcoming Indian Law cases from SCOTUS and the potential utility of providing commentary on our websites after the present cases are decided
 - a. Creating graphics to help explain the cases?
 - b. Denezpi; Ysleta del Sur Pueblo; Castro-Huerta
 - o Treasurer: perhaps a celebration of members of NNALSA - NALSA graduates especially?
 - a. UND does this for students, could bring some personal attention to NNALSA
 - b. President: perhaps a student of the month?
 - o In any case, numerous matters for PR Committee and related committees to discuss during upcoming meetings
- e. Moot Court & Writing Competition Follow-Up
 - i. Opened floor to reaching out to host schools
 - ii. SparrowSmith - reached out to a few chapters prior to finals, will renew efforts
 - iii. Bilagody - have not received any responses yet

- iv. President: please make sure to renew efforts to reach out to law school chapters to solicit bids for the moot Court competition
- v. SparrowSmith - Washburn potentially open to the writing competition
- vi. Russell - reached out to several career counselors in his area but has not received any noteworthy responses as of yet
- vii. Salazar - discussed writing competition updates; and the process of sending information to the new chair of the Writing Competition Committee - SparrowSmith
- viii. Fulton - Posted winners from this last year's writing competition (2021-2022 school year); posted on NNALSA's social media websites: Twitter, LinkedIn, Facebook (story at least if not a formal post);
- ix. Discussed what entity funds the scholarships that accompany the prizes in the Writing Competition; the sponsor school and a section of the Oregon Bar Association helped fund the awards

7. New Business

- a. Approving Minutes from April 17, 2022 Meeting
 - i. Deferred approval until the next meeting as not all Board members had an opportunity to review; Secretary will send to personal email accounts for time being
- ## 8. Recap/ Other Discussion Points from other Board members
- a. Next Potential Meeting Date Will Be On: June 20th
 - i. Discussed preferred Mondays of the month, without objection decided on third Monday of the month
 - b. Next meeting's focus (President)
 - i. Presentations from Chairs regarding their meetings
 - ii. Presentations from Representatives regarding what they've heard from their local chapters
 - iii. Updates, if any, regarding Representatives/other Board members reaching out regarding if a member is sole member as described in Clayton bullet point below
 - c. Clayton: PBS News Hour has reached out about doing a news report on Native law students, especially if a given native law student is the only tribal member at their specific law school
 - i. Opened discussion on who might be ideal for this: those who are sole members of their NALSA local chapters?
 - ii. The other candidate who ran for Area 3 Representative for the current Board might meet this standard
 - d. Treasurer: having issues with the NNALSA Venmo account and will be trying to reset it; unclear if will need to just create a new Venmo from scratch - reaching back two to three past Treasurers to figure out how to access
 - i. The Venmo is associated with a previous Treasurer's personal Venmo account and not a dedicated professional account
 - ii. Can still use PayPal
 - iii. Will update Board as matter develops further
 - e. President will send more readable version of document describing what the detailed functions and roles of each committee are
 - f. Vice President: might be prudent to share various Google folders with the other Board members to ensure more efficient knowledge sharing so that matters are not lost due to presently less-than-efficient organization
 - g. Rep. Bilagody: have preference to push standard meeting time back by 15 minutes

- i. Planned to defer typical start time until 6:45 MT
- 9. Closing:
 - a. SparrowSmith - until we meet again, walk in beauty

Adjournment: 7:15 pm MT

- b. Motion: President Kalina
- c. Second: Clayton Fulton
- d. Kevin noted Adjournment and Meeting Concluded