

# NNALSA General Board Meeting Agenda December 19, 2022

5:45 p.m. (PST); 5:45 p.m. (AZ); 6:45 p.m. (MT); 7:45 p.m. (CST); 8:45 p.m. (EST)

#### Present

⊠ Secretary: Kevin C Barnett

□ Public Relations Director: Clayton

**Fulton** 

Scott

#### Absent:

#### Agenda -

1. Call to Order, Siena Kalina, President

a. Gaveled in at: 648 MT

2. Roll Call, Kevin C Barnett, Secretary

a. Completed, five absences

3. Agenda Announcement & Any Amendments

4. Agenda Approval:

a. Motion: Director

b. Second: Administrator

c. Passed unanimously at 650 MT

5. Announcements/Reminders

a. Any other announcements on other topics

i. None offered

b. 990 Form Filed so NNALSA good on taxes

c. How everyone is doing at the end of the semester:

Goodrich

# i. President:

- Doing well now that the semester is over, still have plenty of things to keep busy with during break, but recuperating
- ii. Vice President (Absent):
- iii. Treasurer:
  - Snow storm survived in North Dakota
  - Mixed feelings; glad semester is over, a nice pause from classes
  - Enjoying time with family, took some cookies to elders

#### iv. Director:

- Excited to go home on Wednesday, probably the longest stretch of time hasn't been back to Oklahoma
- Didn't go home the entire semester
- Lots of work to do with Moot Court, enjoying nice pause at the end of the semester
- "There is magic in the air"

#### v. Administrator:

- Doing okay, lots on plate with Moot Court; especially busy in January, glad with how everything is going with that
- Cool to know that multiple Board members will participate
- o Going to enjoy Christmas Eve and Christmas Day at mom's house

# vi. Rep. Littlefoot:

- Started as Prosecutor today
- Making cookies, things going well post-finals, enjoying the holidays so far; lots of Christmas movies
- Spending time with daughter Autumn (named for autumnal equinox)
- vii. Rep. Welsh (Absent):
- viii. Rep. SparrowSmith (Absent):
- ix. Rep. Bilagody:
  - Back in Arizona, happy to be away from the Arctic Circle that is Michigan
  - Semester went well overall

# x. Rep. Russell:

- Got engaged
- o Back in Austin, Texas missed weather
- Semester went well enjoyed Mid-Year Conference this past semester
- Resetting for next semester
- xi. Rep. Lesansee (Absent):
- xii. Rep. Jimmicum (Absent):
- xiii. Rep. Goodrich:
  - Glad semester is over, lots of craziness at home toward the end with house work and appliances
    - a. Including new oven

# xiv. Secretary:

- Prosecutor job going well
- o At home with family and lots of gaming to occur this break

# 6. Old/Recurring Business

- a. Presentations from selected Committee Chairs on updates with their work efforts
  - i. Annual Conference Committee, Rep. Goodrich:

- President: talking in NABA meeting about having trouble getting in contact with FedBar about their tentative agenda; we will need to get started on reaching out to FedBar to coordinate the timing of our events – President will reach out to NABA herself to get FedBar person's contact information
- o Rep. Goodrich also has some FedBar-related contacts relying on
- o Guessing on budget between \$20,000 and \$25,000
- Still interested in doing an Airbnb for NNALSA Board for a few days (or even just one day) ahead of the conference, leaving us to find alternate housing for the remaining days
- Plan is to check in on Saturday and checking out Monday morning from Airbnb
- Rep. Goodrich also looking for house for Mitchell-Hamline (unrelated to NNALSA work and using alternate funds for their stay)
- Can probably swap houses between NNALSA and Mitchell-Hamline NALSA groups
- Programming starting Sunday night and then throughout downtimes in FedBar programming as needed
- Plan to get together as Annual Conference Committee before next semester starts
- ii. Moot Court Planning Update, Administrator:
  - President: How is judge search going?
    - a. Have final round judges secured, but have fifteen or so early-round judges
    - b. The deep dive for judges is mostly happening post-Christmas
  - Registration went well overall, some didn't get to send any teams, but few teams
  - One team made substitution which was approved
  - Bench brief is being worked on, but is on timeline that it needs to be; being drafted by high-level Indian law attorneys
  - Using EventBrite as software for collecting payments, had to use our tax info - will send information to Treasurer as we get back from both EventBrite and OU Law
  - CIA would like to include some judges, include table
    - a. President expressed approval
    - b. Director endorsed idea of artisans having table as well to sell indigenous arts and crafts
  - Brief submission process in process of being fully updated on website
  - Other tasks include securing lodging options for non-competitors
  - Also securing three brief judges

#### 7. New Business

- a. Treasurer Updates:
  - i. Going over Committee budgets (will update Google sheet access for editing by Committee Chairs)
    - Access edited so everyone should have access now; Secretary will send link
    - Elections Committee, Secretary Chair

- a. Question to Board: should the Elections Committee Budget include costs for candidates to attend the Annual Conference or should that cost, if NNALSA is going to cover it at all, be included in the Annual Committee Budget?
  - i. A: NNALSA not covering candidate expenses, goal is to have their schools pay for expenses as much as possible
- b. PR Director Updates:
  - i. CIA
    - Indian Law Affinity Group of sorts within the CIA as part of Office of General Counsel
      - a. Past Vice President had started dialogue with this group last year; the group is hoping to increase application numbers from Indian Country
    - Aiming to do more programming aimed at recruiting more members of tribes; want to set up table at Moot Court and potentially serve as Judges
    - This group is submitting a \$3,000 donation to NNALSA and would like to have an opportunity to engage with NNALSA members at a time that makes sense
      - a. Both Moot Court table
      - b. And Government panel during FedBar conference; including discussion about career pathways
    - The contact that the Director has been engaging with is a Cherokee citizen
    - Director sought Administrator's approval to have CIA have table at Moot Court – assent granted with expectation that some CIA attorneys would serve as Moot Court judges
  - ii. Google Workspace Changeover Updates
    - What should Board members do to ensure effective changeover?
      - a. Current Vice President is continuing to work on transfer over break, expecting to send out emails to remaining Board members to invite them to transfer over to Google Workspace
      - b. This email will direct members on how to use the new Google workspace, including transfer of documents and emails
      - c. New options for workspaces and improved utility of Shared Drives rather than current ad hoc sharing setup
      - d. Administrator will continue to use grievance NNALSA email address for this current 2023 competition
    - Any other steps for members to take
      - a. None other than those noted above
- c. Approving Minutes from October 17, 2022 Meeting, Secretary
  - i. Reading by Secretary
  - ii. Motion: Administrator
  - iii. Second: President
  - iv. Result: Passed unanimously
- d. Approving Minutes from November 21, 2022 Meeting, Secretary
  - i. Reading by Secretary

- ii. Motion: President
- iii. Second: Rep. Russell
- iv. Result: passed unanimously
- e. Grants Committee Update, Rep. Welsh Chair (Absent); President:
  - i. We will be starting Grants form in the early start of this upcoming semester to have chapters apply for grants
  - ii. Rather than have set-amount grants, we will use more tailored grants
  - iii. These will be specific to the event
- f. Scheduling By-laws amendment approval Full Board meeting, President:
  - i. This meeting will be after January 6th
  - ii. Expect when2meet
- g. Elections Committee, Secretary:
  - Requesting brief one-paragraph narrative from each Board member on their experiences so far in NNALSA for use in promotional materials encouraging current 1Ls and 2Ls to run for the 2023-2024 NNALSA Board
    - By next meeting please send these paragraphs to the Secretary
  - ii. Planning Zoom Q&A in early March on the Sunday before nominations are due
- h. Representatives' Updates, if any, on Communications with Chapter Leaders since last month:
  - i. None added
- i. Sponsorship Updates from Board Members, if any
  - i. None not already gone over
  - ii. Everyone is still expected to secure at least one sponsor by Annual Conference, no specific dollar amount
  - iii. The general NNALSA request letter is still available to everyone
  - iv. President will resend the link to that document
- j. Discussion Points Added During Agenda Approval/During the Meeting:
  - i. Nothing else discussed
- k. Miscellaneous Recap/ Other Discussion Points/Final Thoughts
  - i. Nothing else discussed
- I. Things to Cover during Next Meeting (President):
  - i. Prepare for by-laws meeting before next General meeting
  - ii. Keep up on sponsorship requests
- m. Next Meeting Date Will Be On: January 16th at 645 MT (MLK, Jr. Day)
- 8. Adjournment: 729 MT
  - a. Motion: President
  - b. Second: Rep. Goodrich
  - c. Secretary noted adjournment and meeting concluded