



**OTA Board Meeting
October 7, 2020
10:00 - 11:00 AM
Zoom**

Agenda/Minutes

Call to Order: 10:02AM

Roll Call

- Present: President-Michelle Benoit, Past-President-Roseann Rivera, President-elect-Christine Riehl, Secretary-Becky Attaway, Treasurer/Technology Rep-Matt Bisek, Government Relations-Freddy Gompf, District 2 Rep-Janet Basney, District 4 Rep-Emily Price
- Absent: Alumni Partner-Chris Mahan, District 1 Rep-Meredith Payton, District 3 Rep-General Johnson, District 5 Rep-Ariel Zimmer Suel

Approval of Minutes: Sept. 9, 2020

- Motion made by: Matt Bisek
- Motion seconded by: Roseann Rivera
- Discussion: None
- Motion: Carries

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Board Reports

President - Michelle Benoit

- I attended the COE Annual Conference Sept. 21-23. They did an excellent job of engaging participants and provided great content.
- NAEOP conference is next week. There will be a statewide business meeting on Tuesday 2:45-4:00. I hope most of you will be able to join us.

- The OTA member forums are continuing this week. Big thanks to Matt for filling in for me.
- Today I'd like to spend our time working on a communication plan for District Reps. Thank you to the current reps for starting that process over the past few months.
- Finally, I'd like to thank each of you for your work on the board. It's been a pleasure to work with you and I truly appreciate the support you've given me over this incredibly challenging year.

Past-President - Roseann Rivera

- Nomination/Election Update
 - District 1-Confirmed, District 3 (tentative), District 5 (pending), Treasurer and Tech Specialist-Confirmed (Next Steps?)
 - Election opens 10/7/20 and closes 10/12/20 at noon.
 - Board will vote on the ones that we can... write in options for vacant positions.
 - District 3 & 5 vacant
 - Grant Writing Support

President-elect - Christine Riehl

- Looking forward to serving as president and what the next 2 years will bring.

Secretary - Becky Attaway

- No report

Treasurer - Matt Bisek

- Balances as of 10/5
 - Operating Fund Balance: \$36,539.17
 - Scholarship Balance: \$6,036.75
 - US Bank Total: \$42,575.92
- Membership Total: 39/44 processed
- No outstanding balances

Alumni Partner - Chris Mahan

- Not present

Government Relations - Freddy Gompf

Appropriations and COVID-19 Emergency Funding Update

- The Senate is expected to vote on the continuing resolution the House passed last week to keep the government funded through December 11.
- Congressional negotiations over a fourth COVID relief bill have resumed. The House and Senate only have a few weeks left before they leave D.C. ahead of the November elections.

- Act now to ensure that TRIO's COVID request is included in the final COVID-19 bill Congress passes this year! Click [here](#) to contact your legislators in support of our request.
- This is [Voter Education Week](#), click the link to learn what is on the ballot and how you can help educate voters.

Technology Rep - Matt Bisek

- Meeting with Corey on Friday to add a new administrator login to the website for the new board position.

District 1 Rep - Meredith Payton

- Not present

District 2 Rep - Janet Basney

- 2700 homes burnt down in the area. Fema on site.
- Go-fund me raised \$2000 to assist students with supplies ect.

District 3 Rep - General Johnson

- Not present

District 4 Rep - Emily Price

- Looking forward to NAEOP.
- SWOCC will be on ZOOM and some may meet in person - Wednesday (14th) is the 70's party.
- There is a need of moderators for each of the breakout sessions.
- Anticipating "what's next" down here with COVID19. VOTE!
- Most of TRiO ETS and Upward Bound are online still. We were/are hoping to meet students in small groups at school, however, that is now up for discussion again with COVID number rising.

District 5 Rep - Ariel Zimmer-Suel

- Not present

Committee Reports

Professional Development Conference

- Next meeting is 10/19 @ 2 PM
- Planning to have in-depth discussion about how to run a hybrid conference in lieu of the NAEOP experience we will have gone through the prior week.
- Will be meeting monthly moving forward to continue through the planning process.
- November Orientation will also include a site visit in Eugene, OR to review potential for 2022 Conference.

Student Leadership Conference

- No report

Awards Committee

- No report

Nominations Committee

- No report

Unfinished Business

Strategic Plan Committee Reports

OTA Fellowship

- Reached out to NAEOP leadership on 10/5 about when the Policy application will be going live. They said to expect the application to go live in mid November. Our advertisements and launch date for the Fellow Application starts there and we can't move forward until that is up.

District Town Halls

- No report. Will continue the committee's work at board orientation in Nov.

Strategic Partnerships

- Want to connect with larger organizations. Work with institution foundations to get connections to donors.

New Business

- 2021 OTA Budget Review and Vote
- Need to Create Annual Report for NAEOP
- November Orientation. 11/5 & 11/6 at the Graduate (Hilton) in Eugene, OR)

Meeting Adjourned: 10:58AM