

## NEADTA Board Meeting

Date: November 2, 2020

Attendees: Courtney Romanowski, President  
Melanie Johnson French, Vice President  
Maegan Garvey, Secretary  
Pauline Smith, Treasurer  
Stefanie Belnavis, MDC Liaison  
Rebekka Dieterich-Hartwell, Eastern MAL

### Highlighted Minutes:

1. By-laws
  - a. Schedule voting dates
    - i. Next week - 11/9 through 11/13
    - ii. Send out to Membership/Post/etc.
2. Student Scholarships
  - a. Review Entries
    - i. Received only one entry; chose winner to be announced on Nov.16
    - ii. Review Process/Follow up
    - iii. Discussion around what we could do for the future? Where can we place those other funds? What else can we offer to students?
3. BPT
  - a. Next Steps
    - i. Pauline to send out an update to those who registered to keep them informed with the current status.
    - ii. Reach out to ADTA again to see how they can support?
      1. As a note - we are an independent corporation in MA - so curious as to how National can support us?
      2. Rebekkah to follow up during their meeting Wednesday.
    - iii. Steffie - Suggested that the NEADTA expand the conversation - include those from National
      1. Include Lora, Jacelyn, Dr. Angela Grayson and/or ExComm?
    - iv. Post on our website to be transparent with what is going on

- v. For the upcoming conference, be very clear about our refund policy.
- vi. Discussion that this concern needs to be resolved prior to announcing the upcoming conference.

#### 4. Conference

##### a. Timeline

- i. TBD - Board in agreement that we should be pushing the conference as we need to address the refunds from previous conference first.
- ii. Announce this to membership as well so they are aware of what we are prioritizing first - transparency!

##### b. Shared Responsibilities

###### i. Conference Committee

1. Trial/Pilot to test out this model this year!
2. Solicit members of the community to form a Conference Planning Committee
3. Discussion: if the conference planning were more stratified and we had a representative from the different areas of the board/membership.
  - a. Representative from school, board, membership, etc.
  - b. More of a shared model - speaks to more representation and helps with planning, takes some of the pressure off of us.
  - c. Send out a survey to inquire more around this?
4. Workshop Proposals
  - a. NEADTACC to get the proposals, the Board to aggregate the proposals and send to membership to have them choose?

###### c. Additions

- i. Panel of students talking about their research in process
- ii. Panel of students who have just graduated (or in the past few years) to present their findings
- iii. Student's Role in the conference - call for proposals from them, offer a research presentation type thing, how to engage them?

#### 5. MDC Updates

- a. Trying to do quarterly fireside chats, experientials, etc.

- b. Offerings to support students and professionals.
  - c. Steffie met with other MDC Liaisons this past week to have a conversation around what other MDC Liaisons are working on in their chapters.
    - i. Others are figuring out what the MDC Liaison's positions are. All seem to be pushing for their Chapter Board to find out more about how the board has existed, what has always happened, what needs to happen, and then what to do from here.
    - ii. The implementation of subcommittees seems to be a common thread
      - 1. Question of which ones can we support? How many can we support?
    - iii. More collaborative space moving forward
    - iv. Conversation around waiting to have the conference at the scheduled time, or work towards the other identified steps/goals of the Board first. Work on both simultaneously?
    - v. Discussion around reaching out to Jacelyn and/or Lora for assistance as to how National can support the NEADTA with our chapter goals.
    - vi. Discussion around what is the change we are wanting to do as a Board? And how do we want to implement those changes?
6. Other
- a. Restart monthly peer supervision group
    - i. Kim Bevans to collaborate - Courtney also to attend
    - ii. Friday November 13th at 1pm
      - 1. This will be a jumping off point for other potential supervision groups