**NACOLE Board Meeting Conference Call**

**Wednesday, July 10, 2019**

**Minutes**

10:02 am ET: Brian Corr called the meeting to order.

**Roll call**

Present: Willie Bell, Cathleen Beltz, Mickey Bradley, Brian Corr, Florence Finkle, Anthony Finnell, Margo Frasier, Gia Irlando, Janna Lewis, and Avice Reid

Staff present: Camme McEllhiney and Liana Perez

Absent: Susan Hutson

**Minutes**

1. Bradley moved to approve the minutes of the June 12, 2019 meeting, which Frasier seconded. Approved unanimously.

**President’s report**

1. Media and membership support
   1. Corr spoke to NJ public television and Law 360 regarding the Newark Civilian Complaint Review Board litigation.
   2. NACOLE received a request regarding racial profiling investigations stemming from the NYPD IG’s report on complaints of biased policing; Corr referred the request to Hutson.
   3. Corr visited Springfield, MA and spoke with stakeholders regarding an initiative to strengthen civilian oversight.
   4. Corr is working on a letter to Seattle regarding including civilian oversight representative(s) on a new commission the mayor is creating after a judge found the city partially out of compliance with the settlement agreement. Frasier added that she will be seeing Seattle Police Chief Carmen Best and will suggest that the chief raise this issue with the mayor.
   5. Corr is working on support letter on behalf of Bart Logue, in Spokane.
   6. Perez and McEllhiney wrote a letter on behalf of civilian oversight in Charlottesville, VA.
   7. Perez participated in interviews with various media outlets regarding developments in Phoenix, AZ.
   8. Perez will be meeting, via Skype, with Boulder, CO civilian oversight advocates.
2. McEllhiney will be on vacation from July 11 to July 18.

**Secretary’s report**

1. As of yesterday, NACOLE membership stood at 247: 80 regular members; 44 associate members; 87 organizational members; 13 student members; and 23 life members.

**Treasurer’s report**

1. Finnell reported that as of 6/30/19, NACOLE has approximately $127k in savings account, $157k in checking, $25k in a CD, and $8k in scholarship fund.

**Proposed Bylaws Change**

1. Corr summarized the proposed change that will be submitted to the membership.
2. The board discussed the proposal’s history and how to best discuss the proposal at the membership meeting.
3. Finkle moved to vote on the redlined proposed bylaws change, amending it by deleting the heading “mission” and replacing “Article II – Purposes” with “Article II – Mission.” Irlando seconded. The board voted as follows:
   1. Bell: Yes
   2. Beltz: Yes
   3. Bradley: Yes
   4. Corr: No
   5. Finkle: Yes
   6. Finnell: Yes
   7. Frasier: No
   8. Irlando: Yes
   9. Lewis: No
   10. Reid: No

**Contract for 2020 Annual Conference Hosting**

1. McEllhiney described contract highlights and the board discussed various aspects of the contract.
2. Frasier moved that the board approve the contract, subject to negotiating rebate price through Labor Day weekend. Reid seconded. Approved unanimously.

**Staff updates**

1. Perez reported that approximately 85% of members have already renewed.
2. COPS liaison provided verbal approval of budget modification.
3. McEllhiney and Vitoroulis are close to completing the report on the state of the civilian oversight field and effective oversight practices.
4. Staff has been responding to numerous questions about annual conference registration.
5. Karen Williams has started work part-time on annual conference.
6. In June, Corr and McEllhiney provided a one-day training in Fairfax, VA, to the Police Civilian Review Panel.
7. Digest will be disseminated on July 15.

**Board committees**

1. Strategic Planning Committee/Bradley
   1. Committee met last week and is starting to explore a new long-range strategic plan for NACOLE.
2. Election and Bylaws/Finnell: Nothing new to report.
3. Member Support and Advocacy/Hutson and Irlando: Nothing new to report.
4. Finance Committee/Frasier
   1. Committee met yesterday and is discussing recommendations for where NACOLE should house its money.
   2. Sponsel is still working on NACOLE’s tax returns.
   3. Committee will be working on RFP for next year’s audit and tax work.
5. Training, Education, and Standards Committee/Finkle and Lewis
   1. The committee did not meet in June. It will meet next week.
   2. The next webinar will take place on August 8, 2019. Professor Melissa Russano will discuss cognitive interview techniques.
   3. Finkle, Lewis, and McEllhiney have selected members to work on a subcommittee to review nominations for annual awards.
   4. Planning for 2020 academic symposium continues; there will be a conference call later this month.
6. Annual Conference Committee/Beltz and Bell
   1. McEllhiney reported that the committee is still compiling all resources for sessions so that Perez can begin to work on CLE applications.
   2. The committee is still working on the Sunday executive leadership forum, for which there is a separate registration. The committee is working closely with Deborah Jacobs and Mickey Bradley, who has agreed to facilitate.
   3. The committee is still working to see whether there will be sufficient information to move forward on a commemorative booklet.
   4. Registration currently stands at 133, which is consistent with past years, at this point in time.
   5. Staff has also sent letters to founders, past presidents, past award winners, and civilian oversight leaders encouraging them to attend this year’s conference.

**New Business**

1. No one raised new business.

**Adjournment**

1. Corr adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:50 am ET. Next meeting will take place on August 14, 2019.