



SORA Board Meeting Minutes July 2021
Tue, Jul 6, 2021 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (CDT)

Board Roll Call:

Region 1/Treasurer: Amanda Clark (CT), Region 2: Stephen Marshall (NY),
Region 3: Travis Sterner (MD), Region 4: Chris Edwards (KY), President/Region 5: Mike Mettler (IN),
Region 6/Secretary, Past President: Matt Pace (OK), Region 7: Eric Folks (MO)
Region 8: Chuck Cousino (CO), Region 9: Vacant, Region 10/ Past President: Jeremy Simmons (WA),
At Large: Marcia Degen (VA), Tribal: Michael Bolt (NC Cherokee), Canadian Provinces: Derek Smith (Manitoba)

Invited Guests: Dick Bachelder (COI Rep.), Sheryl Ervin (COI Rep. back-up), Mary Clark (Retirees), Ann D'Alfonso (KS) Michael Broussard (NM), Dave Cotton (MI), Dale Ladouceur (MI)

Green=present; Red=absent

1. Review/edit meeting agenda
2. Approval of June meeting minutes

Motion to approve the meeting minutes for June: Marcia D.; Second: Chuck C.; voice vote

Motion approved

3. Executive Committee Reports

a. President's report: (Chris)

- i. Region 7 Board representative replacement welcome Eric Folks
- ii. The President-elect for 2023

Travis S. was nominated and accepted the role of President-Elect for the 2022 year, and serving as President for the 2023 year.

- iii. SORA/NOWRA Conf. MOU Agreement – vote

Motion to accept the agreement between NOWRA and SORA for the 2022 Mega-Conference: Chuck C.; Second: Mike M.; voice vote

Motion approved

- iv. Discuss request from NOWRA for additional data/ OWTS map per state



Board discussion and review of existing map; it was decided that SORA would notify NOWRA that the data had not significantly changed since the previous survey.

Chuck C. will notify NOWRA

- v. Prior items that required a vote, but no quorum at the last meeting

Motion to approve the meeting minutes for May: Chuck C.; Second: Marcia D.; voice vote

Motion approved

Motion to appoint Michael B. as Board Representative for Region 9: Chuck C.; Second: Matt P.; voice vote.

Motion approved

- vi. Survey results from Conference committee

Pushed to Conference Committee update

- vii. Recognition of Russ Martin

Chris E. will include a dedication to Russ Martin in the president's remarks at the annual business meeting.

Treasurer's Report (Amanda);

- viii. Passdown update with Michael

Michael noted that he and Amanda met last week to discuss the Treasurer's duties and transition. Once a new financial institution is selected then the full transition could take place.

- b. Secretary's Report (Matt);

Documents needed by Ann D. were sent by Matt.; website has been updated.

4. Standing Committee Reports:

- a. Membership (Dave);

Dave C. reported that he, Dale L., and Jeremy S. had met. During the meeting they reviewed the bylaws, discussed priorities as a committee, and process for working with the Treasurer.



Michael B. suggested a meeting next week (July 13, 1:30 pm CST) that will include Michael B., Dave C., Dale L., Jeremy S., Dick B., and Matt P. (Matt to arrange).

b. Conference Planning (Chuck);

Chuck C. discussed that the committee would be meeting tomorrow (July 7); survey results indicated that the conference may not be well attended (around 9 said they would be there for certain and around 10 were uncertain).

c. Strategic Planning (Travis)

Travis S. sent emails to Mary C. and Nick (?) to get feedback, and has not heard anything yet. Under consideration is to either generate a "cliff notes" version of changes occurring to the strategic plan or do away with the existing plan and create a new one.

5. COI Report (Dick);

a. Dick B. mentioned that he would provide additional information to the meeting tomorrow. He also requested an updated list of current COIs.

6. Ad hoc Committee Reports:

a. Website (Ann/Jeremy)

No report given.

b. Retirees (Mary);

No report given.

c. Policy (Chuck);

No report given.

7. New Business:

No new business discussed.

8. Action Item Review:

9. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn meeting: Travis S.; Second: Stephen M.; voice vote

Meeting adjourned



Future Meeting Dates for 2021 (First Tuesday of each month): All meetings will start at 2:30 P.M. EST.