



## WACAC Membership Meeting

June 1, 2018

Monterey Conference Center  
Monterey, CA

### **President Sonia Ryan called the membership meeting to order at 11:43am.**

She asked the general membership to review minutes from the meeting at NACAC in Boston.

Sonia asked for a motion to approve the minutes; Katy Murphy moved to approve, and Allison Lopour seconded the motion.

The minutes are approved unanimously.

In her opening remarks, Sonia recognized the representatives from the NACAC Board in attendance: Chris Reeves, Jayne Fonash, and Derek DuBose. She then recognized the Local Counselors who were attending the conference. Next, Sonia asked all first-time attendees to stand and be recognized. She recognized the counselors from the District Directions Salinas USD who were in attendance.

### **WACAC Committee reports**

Admissions Practices: Omar Zazueta provided an update on the new SPGP, now including Code of Ethics and Professional Practices in its title. This is available on WACAC website as well as the NACAC website. Mar reported that very few violations were brought to his attention. Violations around the May 1 deadline usually brings the most complaints, there were none this year.

College Fairs: Stacy Kadesh reported on college fair attendance college fairs did; WACAC served over 8000 students and granted 30 bus fare waivers. The new fair in Las Vegas was well attended. Herbie Walker from Democracy Prep in Las Vegas will be chair elect.

Communications: Noel Viramontes discussed with the members the WACAC eblasts, with one more to go. The goal was to keep WACAC membership informed on current issues (wildfires, etc.) throughout the school year. The committee is looking for a new chair.

Development: Aviva Walls recognized the WACAC sustaining donors and requested they stand for applause. She explained the donation process, thank you gifts for pledges with koozie. Aviva also Explained the ongoing Honor a Mentor fund.

Diversity, Equity, Access: Kristine Lee introduced the chair elect Nikki Chun, from CalTech. Kristina also explained the Arzola scholarship. She reported that the IDEA conference was a huge success, with a great keynote speaker. She also updated with a teaser on SuperACAC Arizona offerings

Government Relations Action Committee: Breanne Boyle reported on the upcoming California Legislative conferences. She noted that there was information regarding GRAC at the SLC's. Breanne explained the calls to action that WACAC was providing materials for as well as the NACAC action center. There is the ability to sign a petition about the House bill PROSPER. Members are encouraged to send postcard to legislature.

Nevada Interests: Sonia Ryan spoke on behalf of Kristine Shay. Nevada membership grew from 18 to 33. Sonia recognized the Nevada attendees at the conference.

Inter-Association: Esther Hugo, as interim chair, talked about the importance of data in the Reach Higher initiative. She recognized Ed Devine for funding a weekend retreat. WACAC and CASC have worked together on trainings. Recently, College Board has joined to create a high school voter registration effort.

Membership: Brad Ward reported on the upward trend in membership number historically. This year, down 10% overall. Specifically, colleges remained the same, high schools down a bit, IEC down quite a bit. Private schools outnumber public high schools 3-1. Committee Goals: outreach to Central Valley, and an increase in public California universities memberships.

Professional Development: Allison Lopour gave the update on the Share Learn Connect conferences that took place throughout California. 800 counselors were served. Allison requested that any college/university interested in hosting to contact her. The Central Valley location had to be cancelled because of low registrations and going forward that location will take a break this year while the committee looks more closely at how to succeed. District Directions was an amazing event. Allison recognized Katy Murphy, Esther Hugo and Peggy Hock for their efforts. Powerful action plans were presented. District Directions is moving to every other year model. She also recognized Lauren Cook for her years of service to the Leadership Development Institute and announced Elena Wong and Greg McCandless as codirectors. Allison announced Janine Bisic as the new chair.

Transfer advocacy: Dan Nannini reminded all about the Transfer SIG meeting tomorrow morning. He reported on three new things. CA AB705 requires students get to transfer level math and English in one year. Guided pathways, currently like a buffet at the community colleges, will be changing to a preset path depending on major interest. And CA community colleges have classes available, with many openings.

### **Assembly delegates update**

As Past-President, Jeff Morrow served as Chief delegate. He reported that WACAC has 19 assembly delegates, the largest of all ACAC's. Delegates have the opportunity to shape national policy and advocate for Western's issues. This year, we elected 12 new delegates.

### **Treasurer's report**

Dewey Wilmot, treasurer-elect, handled the treasurer's report, filling in for Andy Castillo. He reviewed the proposed budget. The membership will vote on the passed fiscal year budget, currently is waiting on a few details around the Super ACAC conference. WACAC is in good fiscal health. (see handout for numbers)

### **New business**

Lauren Cook, as President-elect, is the chair of the Super conference. She explained how it works with three affiliates sharing responsibilities and costs. She brought up the Arizona political atmosphere and expressed her hope that WACAC would show up in force to support and educate.

### **Awards:**

Jeff Morrow introduced the awards and mentioned the names of awards and their contributions to WACAC. More details can be found on the WACAC website.

Barnhart Schultz award: Sonia Ryan presented the scholarship to attend NACAC, to Marisa Marques Arthur Arzola Memorial Scholarship: Kristine Lee awarded to Isaac Detorio from UNLV

Murdoch Finks New counselor award: Armen Sarkisian, for new admissions officer, gave award to Amy Hammer from Chapman.

Steve Hankins new counselor award: Lauren Cook, for new high school counselor or CBO, to Jenny Uribe from College Track.

Joe Allen community relations award: Esther Hugo presented to Catalina Cifuentes from Riverside COE  
Juel Lee mentorship award. Lisa Rhone presented to Michael Gulotta from USC.

Katy Murphy service award. Breanne Boyle presented to Maureen Chang

WACAC special recognition award. Jeff Morrow honored Andy Castillo

Chris Reeves, representing the NACAC Board of Directors, honored Sonia Ryan for her service with a plaque.

Jeff Morrow recognized Sonia Ryan for her service to WACAC.

Sonia Ryan spoke about Jeff Morrow for his service in President cycle. Jeff recognized his colleagues, wife, kids.

After her last address as President, Sonia called Marc McGee to the podium for the President oath. Marc stated the oath and accepted the gavel.

Marc Introduced JT Thomas for dodgeball details. JT recognized all the refs, scorekeepers, captains, players etc.

Marc McGee asked for a motion to adjourn the membership meeting. Ilana Israel Samuels moved, Dewey Wilmot seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 1:05pm.

Ilana motioned, Dewey Wilmot second, adjourned.1:05pm