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ASPIRE 2016 Meeting Minutes

Call Meeting to Order and Assignment Parliamentarian

Meeting called to order 3/27 5:35

Introductions

Will Richards, Kate Delaney, Darlene Samson, Brandon McLean, Wendi Fawns, Kelly Buck, Kerri Rogers, Rob Rust, Jeannie Origbo, Joe Jessepe, Allen Addison, Penny Kipp, Taryn Quayle, Marianne Frank, Dugan Coburn, Carol Good Luck, Michael LeaderCharge, Casey Figueroa, Angelica Vialpando, Ann Willcockson, Peter Donaldson, Matt Sargent, Twila Old Coyote, Anna San Diego, RuthAnne Shope, Brandon McLean, Aspen Herndon, Cory Chenoweth, Theresa Rader

Brandon McLean Parliamentarian

Minutes

Minutes approved as read

Treasurer's Report

Passed out on tables. Reports approved.

President's report

59 paid members, which is about 22 paid members short. EOC not renewing membership, and we lost talent search with 4 employees. We also have a number of new members who may be waiting until September membership drive.

Spraggins Grant: We will not be receiving a grant this year, as the fund is depleted.

Current Operating Guidelines:

- Looking for TRIO Flag.
- 1 year to a 2 year presidency wasn't changed in operating guidelines.

-Proposing a full scale rewrite of operating guidelines using email. Theresa will work in this and send draft to membership by April 7th. Have 10 days to review and vote.

-Propose that we elect president in the spring rather than the fall, as attendance is higher. This would be a voting year.

-Propose that we institute the ASPIRE code of conduct for officers. (Motion to accept code of ethics by RuthAnne Shope. Darlene Samson 2nd. Passed Unanimously.

Committee Realignment. Proposing to consolidate committees.

Alumni, Advocacy, Relationships, Research combine with Membership/Development.

Indian Advocacy

Awards

Government Relationships.

Financial Sustainability

Emerging Leaders

Tech Development

Motion made (Brandon McLean) 2nd (Dugan) motion carries to consolidate committees from 9 down to 7.

Committee Reports

Advocacy: No Report

Financial Sustainability: Wrote two grants one to Gianforte Foundation and one to Town Pump. Both grants were denied.

Emerging Leaders: No Report

Governmental Relations: Senator Tester attended policy visit this year. We have a great relationship with his aid, Hannah. Daines office is still relationship development, but the relationship is growing. A UB alum was in attendance at both meetings and did a great job telling his story and giving a testimonial. 12 people from Montana were represented.

Share information with state legislatures and invite them to reception. Will be showcasing a trailer for MCAN produced documentary.

On the same Day, Anna San Diego and students visited to Daines local Kalispell office.

Indian Advocacy: Split the state so we have liaisons who go to tribal colleges. Visits to tribal campuses, and relevant programming in ASPIRE. Can we present at AIMA? Jeannie will follow up.

Old Business

Competition Update: Addressed by Angelica V.

Quarterly/Monthly Meetings: Addressed in President's report.

State mini-grants: Motion for mini-grants to be reviewed quarterly. Moved by Darlene Samson and 2nd by Kelly Buck. Motion passes.

New Business

Anna SanDiego moves to award scholarships to TRIO Achievers. Discussion: What if achiever is a graduate? Amend motion to include language specifying award.

ASPIRE Regional Conference Update in Missoula in 2018 at the Holiday Inn Downtown. Peter Donald is conference chair and will need help.

Propose we elect state president in odd years at spring conference. Moved by RuthAnne Shope, 2nd by Brandon McLean. Passes.

Special guests:

Kyle Ethelbah – ASPIRE Regional President:

- Sent out newsletter – make sure you read.
- Building an alumni network. Contact alumni chair for paperwork
- Salary survey should be completed by May
- Native American outreach program within the region: ASPIRE has 22% Native American population
- Social Justice Committee, contact Brandy Scott with any suggestions
- ASPIRE Conference 10/15 in Salt Lake City Utah

Angelica Vialpando:

-Competition UB/McNair:

- UB: Just hearing about applications that were rejected for various regions (Budget, spacing, page limit, time frame). Having a conference call tomorrow for those who were rejected. First slate will be published late April or early May. Second slate hoping to be in 5/31.
- UB Math/Science was due 5/22. First slate will be released beginning of August. 2nd Slate beginning of September
- McNair due April 7.

-Policy Seminary:

- Over 700 people in attendance. Both Senators are on appropriations. Tester is chair of TRIO Caucus
- President Trump budget. Government really behind on everything. Healthcare blew up. Tax Reform next. Lots of positions still need to be filled. 4/28 is end of the budget. Need a CR or pass a '17 budget. That would mean TRIO is level funded. Omnibus bill is an option and could mean an increase in TRIO funding.
- FY 18 Budget: President Trump asking for a 10% cut in TRIO and GEAR UP. Constituents need to contact Senators.

Recess 7:10 pm

Reconvene 3/28, 5:18 pm

Theresa will send out information on branding to make sure we follow the proper COE brand.

Call for nominations for president-elect.

- Jeannie Nominates Aspen Herndon. Aspen Accepts.
- Darlene nominates Allen Addison. Allen Accepts.

Good of the order: Thanks to Conference Committee. Thanks to distinguished, intelligent, good looking secretary/treasurer.

Allen Addison voted as president-elect.

Jon Schaeffer is regional treasurer. He's retiring but staying on as treasurer. Looking for someone to step up as treasurer.

Motion to adjourn (Matt Sargent) 2nd (Dugan Coburn)

Adjourned 5:43pm