



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Teleconference via Zoom

December 14, 2020

Meeting Minutes

**Directors Present:** Glenn Blumhorst (*ex officio*), Mary Broude, Evelyn Ganzglass, Corey Griffin, Kim Herman, Jeffrey Janis, Chip Levensgood, Katie Long, Jed Meline, Robert Nolan, Mary Owen-Thomas, Rhett Power, Rogelio Quintanar, Maricarmen Smith-Martinez, Gretchen Upholt, Faith Van Gilder

**Directors Absent:** Nikole Allen, Albert Whitaker, Hannah Wishart

**Staff Present:** Anne Baker, Dan Baker, Bethany Leech, Caitlin Nemeth, Ari Richard, Steven Saum

### **CALL TO ORDER** – *Maricarmen Smith-Martinez*

The Board Chair called the Meeting to order at 8:05 PM Eastern time. A quorum was present.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

- MOTION: The Board of Directors approves the meeting agenda as presented.
- MOTION: The Board of Directors approves the minutes of the September 27, 2020 meeting as presented.

***MOTION 1: The NPCA Board of Directors approves the consent agenda as presented.***

***Passed unanimously.***

### **President's Report** - *Glenn Blumhorst*

NPCA's principal priorities since the September 27 board meeting included the following:

- Grasstops and grassroots advocacy for a \$410.5 million Peace Corps 2021 budget
- Collaboration with Rep. Garamendi's office on Peace Corps Reauthorization legislation
- Development and publication of the Peace Corps Connect to the Future report
- Preparation of the 2021 annual operating plan and budget, and supporting documents
- Launching of the COVID contact tracing project with King County, WA
- Launching of the social marketing campaign with RPCVs for Environmental Action

***MOTION 2: The NPCA Board of Directors resolves to adopt the DE&I Framework as presented and provide provisional oversight through the Programs Committee in development.***

***Glenn Blumhorst moved, Jed Meline seconded. Passed unanimously.***

Glenn presented the draft 2021 Operating Plan. Discussion led to two suggested revisions:

- Update 1.2 re: advocacy policy under “Activities” to say “Support engagement of our affiliate groups and targeted congressional advocacy on climate-related issues.”
- Update 2.1. Strengthen management goals re: financial structure/capacity

***MOTION 3: The NPCA Board of Directors approves the 2021 Operating Plan with modifications as discussed.***

***Kim Herman moved, Gretchen Upholt seconded. Passed unanimously.***

**Treasurer’s Report** - Gretchen Upholt

Gretchen presented the provisional budget as reviewed by the Finance Committee.

***MOTION 4: The NPCA Board of Directors approves the FY2021 provisional budget as presented.***

***Passed unanimously.***

**Fundraising Committee Report** - Robert Nolan

Jeffrey Janis and Mary Broude joined the committee.

**Governance Committee Report** - Chip Levensgood

We need to complete committee charges. The GovCom is working to get the Programs Committee off the ground. We’re also taking a look at the DEI framework policy.

**Affiliate Group Network Advisory Committee Report** - Anne Baker

Hannah has been reaching out to member-elected board members. We encourage everyone to participate in Friday “Affiliate Group Leaders Lunches.” It’s a great opportunity to hear from affiliate groups.

**New Business** - Maricarmen Smith-Martinez

**Jed Meline moved, Evelyn Ganzglass seconded to move into executive session. Passed unanimously.**

**Executive Session** - *Maricarmen Smith-Martinez*

**Adjournment** - *Maricarmen Smith-Martinez*

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 P.M Eastern.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Owen-Thomas, Secretary