

ACJS ANNUAL BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

Thursday, April 15, 2021

Zoom Conference Meeting

12:00pm eastern

IN ATTENDANCE: Heather Pfeifer (President), Denise Paquette Boots (1st Vice-President), Anthony Peguero (2nd Vice-President), Cassia Spohn (Immediate Past President), Marlyn Jones (Treasurer), Erin Orrick (Secretary), Robert Bing (Trustee-At-Large), Lorenzo Boyd (Trustee-At-Large), Cathy Marcum (Trustee-At-Large), Cassandra Reyes (Region 1 Trustee), Chad Posick (Region 2 Trustee), Melissa Burek (Region 3 Trustee), Brie Diamond (Region 4 Trustee), Stephanie Mizrahi (Region 5 Trustee), John Worrall (Executive Director), Letiscia Perrin (Association Manager)

- I. Welcome, Congratulations to New Board Members, and Introductions
 - President Pfeifer called the meeting to order at 12:06 PM EDT and welcomed the new Board members.
- II. Review Agenda
 - A motion to approve the agenda was made by Reyes and seconded by Marcum. The motion carried unanimously with no abstentions.
 - ACTION ITEM: A motion to accept all of the oral reports was made by Spohn and seconded by Boots. The motion carried unanimously with no abstentions.
- III. President's Report (Pfeifer)
 - Pfeifer reported to the Board the work she anticipates planning the meeting in Las Vegas.
 - Pfeifer requested suggestions for things Board members would like to see.
- IV. 1st Vice President's Report (Paquette Boots)
 - Boots congratulated Pfeifer in assuming her new role and thanked Spohn for all her work as President. Boots reported on the good feedback she received about the virtual conference.
 - Reported she will be working to fill all the committee vacancies as 2nd VP.
- V. 2nd Vice President's Report (Peguero)
 - Expressed his thanks and appreciation for his ability to continue to serve on the Board, especially with the tumultuous year due to the pandemic.
 - Thanked Pfeifer and Boots for their work and will look to build on what they have worked on.
 - Pfeifer noted with the recent policy clean up, Peguero needs to just find the deputy chairs for standing committees.

- Pequero reported that he will continue to work with the ad hoc committee for the anti-harassment and discrimination policy.

VI. Immediate Past President's Report (Spohn)

- Spohn reported that she will liaison with the ethics committee and the elections and nominations committee.
- Spohn thanked the Board for their support over the course of the last year and work done to pull off a successful virtual conference.

VII. Treasurer's Report (Jones)

- No further to update

VIII. Secretary's Report (Orrick)

- Orrick reported on the deadline for applications for ACJS Today editor and updated the Board on the status of the search.

IX. Executive Director's Report (Worrall)

- Worrall thanked those who worked to pull off a successful virtual conference and welcomed new Board members
- Worrall discussed with the Board the potential difficulty this year of getting signed petitions for the next election when the conference is virtual. The Board discussed what the options might be available as well as potentially allowing more candidates on the ballot who were submitted through the nomination process.

X. Association Manager's Report (Perrin)

- Perrin reported that emails are scheduled for the call for presentations and call for volunteers
- ACTION ITEM: A motion to approve all oral reports was made by Boyd and seconded by Mizrahi. The motion carried unanimously, with each officer abstaining from their respective report.

XI. New Business

- Board Liaisons to Standing Committees (Pfieffer)
 - Academic Review – Peguero (by policy)
 - Affirmative Action – Boyd
 - Assessment – Orrick
 - Awards – Mizrahi
 - Budget, Finance, and Audit – N/A (Chaired by Peguero)
 - Constitution and By-Laws – Posick
 - Doctoral Summit – Peguero
 - Employment Exchange – Bing
 - Ethics – Spohn
 - Membership – Marcum
 - National Criminal Justice Month – Reyes
 - Nominations and Elections – N/A (Chaired by Spohn)

Program – Boots
Public Policy – Jones
Student Affairs – Diamond

- Crime and Justice Research Alliance – Jones (by policy)

- Continuation of 2018-2019 Ad Hoc Committees (Pfeifer):
 1. Committee on History Mini Grants – Burek
 2. Sage Professional Development Workshop Committee – Marcum/Mizrahi
 3. 2021 United Nations Congress Selection Committee – Bing

- Boyd reported that he would liaison between the affirmative action committee and the minorities and women section for them to discuss options for renaming the committee. He is awaiting clarification from the affirmative action committee, then he will connect them with the minority and women’s section.

- The Board discussed the differences between Academic review and assessment committees and how they are more closely related now that there is no longer program certification. Pfeifer suggested that the Academic Review committee could be invited to the assessment pre-workshop. Board members agreed that the two groups should be connected and to have them discuss ideas for the next annual meeting.

- Perrin to add the Employment Exchange to the constitution/by-laws.

- ACTION ITEM: A motion to approve naming the Employment Exchange to the Jim Ruiz Employment Exchange was made by Boyd and seconded by Mizrahi. The motion carried unanimously, with no abstentions.

XII. Old Business

- A motion to accept the reports was made by Jones and seconded by Posick. The motion was approved unanimously, with no abstentions.
 - 1) ACTION ITEM: Review/Approve Minority and Women Section Board Report and Budget

- A motion to accept the budget was made by Marcum and seconded by Reyes. The motion was approved unanimously, with no abstentions.
 - 2) ACTION ITEM: Review/Approve Student Affairs Board Report

- A motion to approve the report was made by Boots and seconded by Mizrahi. The motion was approved unanimously, with no abstentions.
 - 3) ACTION ITEM: Revised description for Teaching, Learning, and Scholarship Award

- A motion to accept the new award was made by Reyes and seconded by Posick. The motion was approved unanimously, with no abstentions.

- Midyear meeting – the Board discussed options for the midyear meeting to be scheduled late September or Early October

Adjourn

- A motion to adjourn was made by Boyd and seconded by Jones. The motion carried unanimously, with no abstentions. Pfeifer adjourned the meeting at 1:26pm.