

**Present:** George Betts, Sally Krisel, Catherine Little, Sylvia Rimm, Dina Brulles, Kim Chandler, Keri Guilbault, Brian Housand, Michael Matthews, Jonathan Plucker, Michelle Swain, and M. René Islas (*ex-officio*)

**Not Present:** Joy Davis, James Moore (*ex-officio*)

**Staff Present:** Cathleen Healy

## **Board Actions**

### **Consent Agenda**

March 2017 Meeting Minutes

Approval of Agenda

**Sally Krisel moves to approve the consent agenda. Michelle Swain seconds the motion.**

**Sylvia Rimm amends the motion to approve consent agenda with additions to the meeting agenda—the addition of items 3.4 and 3.5. Catherine Little seconds the motion.**

### **MOTION PASSES**

#### **President's Report**

George Betts and Brian Housand provided an update on the Whole Gifted Child Task Force.

#### **President-Elect Report**

The Awards Nominations were presented.

**Sally Krisel makes a motion to present Joyce VanTassel-Baska with the Ann F. Isaacs Founder's Memorial Award. Michelle Swain seconds the motion.**

### **MOTION PASSES**

#### **Networks Update**

Kim Chandler presented an overview of the Network Representative Report.

**Catherine Little motions to dissolve the Middle Grades Network based on policy for dissolution. Brian Housand seconds the motion.**

Discussion follows.

**MOTION PASSES** (*with Jonathan Plucker voting against and Sylvia Rimm abstaining*)

#### **Governance Report**

Catherine Little shared the Governance Items Outline, and two amendments to regulations to ensure that NAGC's commitment to non-discrimination is reflected in the organization's regulations and policy, and to ensure that regulations regarding dues are up to date to include all membership categories.

**Catherine Little moves to amend 4.2 non-discrimination language. Sally Krisel seconds the motion.**

#### **Non-discrimination language**

#### 4.2 Proposed new language:

Any individual or organization desiring to foster the purposes of this Association shall be eligible for membership regardless of race, religion, cultural background, ethnicity, nationality, disability, gender, age, marital and family status, socio-economic status, or sexual orientation or gender identity.

### **MOTION PASSES**

**Catherine Little moves to a 4.4 membership dues language. Sylvia Rimm seconds the motion.**

#### **Membership dues**

#### 4.4 Proposed new language:

Dues are payable to the Association. Fees for student, parent, institutional, and lifetime membership categories will be set as a percentage or multiple of the regular membership fee.

### **MOTION PASSES**

The proposed non-discrimination policy was discussed. The NAGC Board Policy 2.7 articulates NAGC's commitment to non-discrimination in membership, programs, and practices.

**Catherine Little moves to adopt the Non-Discrimination Policy and statement. Sylvia Rimm seconds the motion.**

The National Association for Gifted Children does not discriminate for reasons of race, religion, cultural background, ethnicity, disability, gender, age, marital and family status, socio-economic status, or sexual orientation or gender identity in membership or in any of its programs or practices. This policy covers all entities of NAGC, including its Governing Bodies, Networks, Committees, Task Forces, and the National Office.

### **MOTION PASSES**

An update to the 9.3 Network Elections policy was discussed.

**Catherine Little moves to update the Network Elections Policy. Michelle Swain seconds the motion.**

#### Proposed possible adjustment/revision:

NAGC will cover convention expenses upon presentation of original receipts for travel and hotel for chair or one officer of the Network who has satisfied annual reporting requirements. Reimbursement amounts per chair/officer will not exceed \$500 and are contingent on annual budget determinations. If a chair chooses to stay outside the official NAGC hotel block as designated in conference materials, he/she will not be reimbursed for sleeping room expenses.

### **MOTION PASSES**

Update to the language for Board Member Policy was discussed. Current NAGC Regulations and Policy articulate expectations and responsibilities for the Board of Directors. Implications of not fulfilling these responsibilities are more sparsely addressed or absent. Although Regulations include language for how officers may be removed for cause, such language does not appear in Regulations or Policy for the other members of the Board of Directors. Adding this language to the policies, which specify responsibilities for each of the other Board roles, would provide consistency.

**Catherine Little moves to add language to Policies 3.2.1, 3.2.2, 3.2.3, 3.2.4, 3.2.5 which is adapted directly from the NAGC Regulations regarding removing an officer for cause. The motion is seconded.**

## **VIII. REMOVAL**

Board Members may be removed for cause only. By petition of a majority of the members of the Board of Directors, the Board may consider removing any Board Member. Upon receipt of such a petition, the President (or President-Elect, if it is the President who is charged) shall convene the Board to conduct a hearing on the matter. The Board Member who is charged may also make a defense statement to the assembled Board and/or be represented by counsel at his/her own expense. At least two-thirds of the Board members must be present at the hearing. The Board will render its decision in writing at the close of the special meeting, unless the Board determines by a vote of those present that further investigation is necessary. The Board need only state a general reason for removal in its written decision, which should remain confidential. Only those Board Members who are present for the hearing will be eligible to vote. The vote for removal must be approved by two-thirds of the members of the Board who are present at the special meeting.

**MOTION PASSES**