



Nevada FBLA-PBL, Inc.
Board of Trustees Meeting
January 8, 2021 | 3 p.m. | Virtual

Minutes

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 3:08 p.m. by Board Chair Bobbie Barnes.

Roll Call:

Roll Call indicated that the following board members were present:

Bobbie Barnes, Board Chair
Jeremy Tiedt, Board Secretary/Treasurer
Joanna Yi, State President
Randi Hunewell, NDE CTSO Liaison
Mike Oechsner, Executive Director
Tiffany Williams, Adviser Representative
Brian Bolton, Adviser Representative

The following staff members were present:

Danielle Tuason, Senior Director
Ryan Witzig, State Adviser

Approval of Minutes of November 2, 2020:

Discussion:

No discussion.

Decision:

Jeremy Tiedt moved and it was seconded to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was adopted unanimously.

State Officer Update:

Discussion:

Joanna Yi, State President, shared the state officer update. They are working hard to increase engagement, enthusiasm, recognition, and membership. The team has held their second Kahoot and preparing for third in February. The team also participated in the Multiply Your Leadership Celebration Session.

NV FBLA state officers have been working with other states on Engage sessions. Joanna Yi participated and represented NV FBLA a session coordinated by the Nevada Department of Education. The fall article was also completed and submitted.



The team has created a virtual community service list that they can be used in a safe way and covid safe. This can also be used for the Community Service Award.

Since the last meeting, the officers have met with the Western Region Council. The team is participating in the FBLA Roadtrip Series and 60 Second Sundays. Their focus will be targeting the Five Voices assessment for the month of February.

Bobbie Barnes asked about engagement in the virtual environment. As President, Joanna Yi was able to pivot team into a virtual environment having already made the switch last spring. The team is really good at understanding one another and what is going on in the world.

Nevada Department of Education Update:

Discussion:

Randi Hunewell, NDE CTSO Liason, shared the Department of Education update. The good news is that funding for our CTSO is stable right now. Randi Hunewell is getting ready to send the grants out in February. Nevada is doing an overhaul of the funding. There are questions coming from the legislature about words in funding.

A letter has been released by the department suggesting all CTSOs go virtual for events this spring.

With Melissa Scott's retirement, approval has not been received yet to fill her job job. Randi Hunewell is taking on the bulk of Melissa Scott's workload. A charter school has recently reached out bringing on 5-6 business programs. It is unknown yet if it will be DECA or FBLA.

Professional Development will be available in Cyber Security. Quality Program reviews – numbers are down for the pandemic. Encouraging everyone to have 100% membership and the curriculum fee allows that to happen. Programs being revamped but will not be ready until 2022 and rolled out by 2025. Fiscal year is July 1 – June 30. Fiscal is being asked to turn around grant money in 15 days. Mike Oechsner was recognized for his leadership and management of CTSOs that he works with. Noted for his efficiency and speed.

Management Team Update:

Discussion:

Ryan Witzig, State Adviser, and Mike Oechsner, Executive Director both reported on the Management Team Update.

Nevada FBLA is showing solid operations and strong status in the areas of the State Officer Coaching Program and in Public Relations & Advocacy. The Nevada FBLA management team is focusing on the organization's financial status, communications, events and board nominations. Our greatest priority is board member recruitment.



Finance Update:

Discussion:

The financial statements were shared. As of November 30, 2021, they indicated the following:

Total Income:	\$525
Total Expenses:	\$69,952
Net Loss:	<\$69,427>

Checking Balance:	\$17,198
Money Market:	\$8,093
Restricted Funds:	\$7,495

Mike Oechsner shared that we have held the line and are at about \$22,000 below in spending from where we were last year. We are ahead of the game and on top of it.

We did take a little bit from reserves last year and we will take some from reserves this year. It is important to note that is what reserves are for.

SBLC Update

Discussion:

The Nevada Department of Education has asked all CTSOs to go virtual for spring. The Board is asked to consider this change and grant approval to work with the Rio to make adjustments to the contract.

Virtual SBLC was good last year but there are improvements planned to improve the competitive event experience, leadership experience and overall feel.

Brian Bolton asked if this year's SBLC will it be like last year? Will the format be the same format as last year or will it be a live performance or real time performance?

Mike Oechsner shared that it will likely run over a concentrated three-day period. For example) If it has a test and role play there will be a defined time to take a test and then block of time to submit role play.

Danielle Tuason shared that the Adviser Huddles will be offered where advisers can join and share their experiences and ask questions.



Tiffany Williams shared that she agreed with Brian Bolton that students did not like that there was not judge feedback. Due to the virtual conference, we can get judges from all over the state this year. Participating live will help get student buy-in for the conference and FBLA. With no school stores, Freshman are not engaged, there is a concern for the future. Chapter officers who have participated in the past have been key in keeping the chapters running.

Mike Oechsner shared that Blue Panda has made changes to the platform that everyone will get the feedback desired regardless of how we end up delivering the conference.

Brian Bolton shared that they look at this as skill building for a life.

Decision:

Randi Hunewell moved, and it was seconded to move to virtual for the 2021 State Business Conference.

Unanimously approved.

2022 will be in Reno at the Nugget

2023 will be in Las Vegas at Planet Hollywood

2024 will be in Reno but a location has not been secured yet. The Nugget would like us to return.

Recruitment of Board Members:

The Nevada FBLA board is comprised mostly of individuals in education. The goal is to have more individuals in industry areas.

Ideas to recruit more board members generated:

- Using a form or letter that can be sent out.
- Mining Representatives
- Car Dealership Owners
- Recruitment Flyer and Forms will be provided by the management team – URGENT
- Resort and Banking Representatives

Board members will need information to help recruit members.

What is the process to get Board Members?

- We can have up to 15 and small as 5. 10-15 is the ideal board size.
- Get interest
- Board Chair will meet with the potential board member
- Do we have staggering terms?
 - Ideally, we want 3-4 in and 3-4 out a year. Covid has changed this for us.



Next Meeting:

Decision:

The next meeting will be the Friday before Memorial Day

Find time to schedule a meeting to review potential board members.

Adjournment:

Mike Oechsner moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:45 p.m.