

Agenda
RS Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, April 11, 2022 (1:00 to 3:30 p.m.)
Join Zoom Meeting

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(Attachment 1)

1.0 Opening

- 1.1. Call to Order
- 1.2. Introductory Remarks
- 1.3. Announcements (New Information)

2.0 Agenda

- 2.1. Additions to Agenda (New/Urgent Business)
- 2.2. Approval of Agenda [ACTION item – VOTE]

3.0 Updates/Reports from Officers, Staff, CSUS Liaison

- 3.1 Secretary's Report (Bob Benedetti)
 - Draft Minutes/Approval for March 14, 2022, Meeting (see **Attachment 2**) [ACTION item – VOTE]
 - Condolences [Rick Bettis, Ruth Kletzing, Dennis Kohlmann]

- 3.2 Controller's Report (Norv Wellsfry)
- 3.3 Office Manager's Report (Norv Wellsfry)
- 3.4 CSUS Liaison's Report

4.0 Specific Agenda Items

- 4.1 **Board Slate Nominations for Officers and Members At Large for the 2022 Board Election:** Barbara Davis-Lyman, Nominating Committee Chair [ACTION item – VOTE]
- 4.2 **Appointment of Tellers for the 2022 Board Election:** Ken Cross, Board President [ACTION item – VOTE]

5.0 Committee Updates:

5.1 Nominating Committee: Barbara Davis-Lyman

5.2 Program committee: Cindy Suchanek and Pam OBrien

- *Recruiting new Program Leaders, Facilitators, and One-Time Presenters for the Fall 2022 semester!*
- *Orientation & Rendezvous working group*

5.3 Technology committee: Sarah Ryan-Roberts and Jeff Hendy.

5.4 Membership, Diversity, and Community Engagement (MDCE) committee:
Debbie Martinez & Darryl Omar Freeman

5.5 Communications and Marketing committee: Deborah Seiler and Lorraine Murphy

5.6 2022 Summer Speaker Program Working Group: Deborah Seiler

5.7 Resource Development committee: Nancy Findeisen

5.8 Finance & Administration committee: Norv Wellsfry

5.9 Scholarship committee – Laurye Brownfield

- *ASI scholarship selection process*

5.10 Forum committee: Tom Suchanek and Michele Finerty

5.11 Gerontology committee: Susan Brackenhoff

5.12 Announcements, Board Direction and Next Steps

6.0: Reports:

6.1 Technology Committee Report (Jeff Hendy) (see **Attachment 3**)

6.2 Membership, Diversity & Community Engagement (MDCE) Committee Report (Debbie Martinez & Darryl Omar Freeman) (see **Attachment 4**)

6.3 Scholarship Committee Report (Laurye Brownfield) (see **Attachment 5**)

6.4 Gerontology Committee Report (Susan Brackenhoff) (see **Attachment 6**)

7. New or Urgent Business

8. Adjourn

9. Next Board meeting: 1:00 p.m., Monday, May 16, 2022

Key dates:

- Apr. 18-May 6 Board elections online – Tellers' Report
- May 6 RS programs end on Friday.
- May 9 Annual General Meeting on Zoom: 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. on Monday
- May 16 RS monthly Board of Directors' meeting (one week later)

Item: 3.1 Report of Secretary, Robert Benedetti

Date: April 1, 2022

Title: Secretary's Report, April 2022

Action: Information only

This past month I have received and verified three notifications of the passing of member and therefore sent three condolence messages.

Rick Bettis died February 12th. He was a longtime member of Renaissance and active in many voluntary associations.

Ruth Kletzing died November 30, 2021. She was active in Renaissance from 1989 until 2019!

Dennis Kohlmann died January 24th. He was active from 1999 through 2015. His great interest was the Civic War.

ITEM: 4.1

DATE: April 11, 2022

TITLE: Nominations for Officers and Members At Large

ACTIONS: Discussion X Direction Decision X

Background and Purpose:

In accordance with the Renaissance Society’s Bylaws and Standing Rules, each year the Board President appoints a Nominating Committee that is approved by the Board of Directors. The purpose of the Nominating Committee is to develop a slate of eligible candidates to stand for election as officers or as Members-At-Large of the Renaissance Society Board of Directors.

This year the Nominating Committee has interviewed every applicant, adhering to strict standards of uniformity in the interview process, providing equal opportunity for each applicant to relate their interest, experience, and abilities to the Committee. The Committee has selected nominees based on the information received in the applications submitted and during the interview process.

The Committee goal has been to select applicants for nomination who are the most capable of interacting effectively with the Board of Directors and Renaissance membership, who are best able to fulfill the duties of the position applied for, and who will best maintain and further the purposes and ideals of the Renaissance Society.

The Nominating Committee was impressed with the quality of the candidate pool. Those not selected would bring skills and expertise to the various RS Committees. The Nominating Committee will make recommendations to the incoming President as to how best to integrate those candidates into leadership roles.

Recommended Actions:

It is recommended that the Board of Directors accept the slate of Officers and Member At Large nominations submitted by the Nominating Committee.

Presented by: Barbara Davis-Lyman, Nominating Committee Chairperson

Attachment: N/A – The slate of officers and MALs will be presented at the Board meeting.

ITEM: 4.2

DATE: April 11, 2022

TITLE: Appointment of the Tellers to Receive and Count the Annual Board Election Ballots

ACTIONS: Discussion _____ Direction _____ Decision X

Background and Purpose:

The last two years the Renaissance Society (RS) Board President appointed a group acting as tellers to receive and count the ballots to ensure confidentiality and efficacy. The Executive Committee suggests RS continue this practice and that the board approve the President's appointments after being persuaded that the nominees do not include current office holders, members of the current Nominating Committee or any members currently nominated as part of the slate provided by the Nominating Committee. A representative of this group would then report results of the election to the Board at its next meeting.

Recommended Actions: Volunteer Technology Committee co-chairperson Jeff Hendy and RS staff member Lorene Sarne will function as tellers to receive and count annual Renaissance Society Board election ballots. Jeff Hendy will submit the report of election results to the RS Board of Directors.

Presented by: Ken Cross, President of the Renaissance Society Board of Directors

Attachment: N/A