

NAFAA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
February 26, 2003, Conference Call

1:37 p.m.: Called to order by Marsha Dupree, NAFAA President, University of Nevada, Reno

Present: Marsha Dupree, University of Nevada, Reno, President
Yvonne Hicks, University of Phoenix, President-elect
Lori Brown, Truckee Meadows CC, Treasurer
Laura Whitelaw, Western Nevada CC, Historian
Dan Shellenberger, Member-at-large, Art Institute of Las Vegas
Renee McCloud, University of Nevada, Reno, Secretary

Minutes: Past minutes were distributed via e-mail. Motion to accept the minutes by Lori; Yvonne seconded.

Treasurer's Report: Lori distributed treasurer's report via e-mail. Report attached. Report details expenditures. Ending balance as of 2/25/03: \$6,108.79
Motion to accept treasurer's report by Dan; Laura seconded.

Old Business:

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE: Michelle Mathis, Dahan School of Massage is working on sending out request for nominations/ballot for the President-elect and Secretary positions for NAFAA the upcoming year. Marsha had asked membership to think of whom they would like to nominate for next year's executive council. Marsha asked Yvonne if she'd be willing to help Michelle since Yvonne is the current President-elect. The goal is to have the executive council in place by the end of March.

BY-LAWS COMMITTEE: Paige Hurley, TMCC, is working on reviewing by-laws

LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE: Yvonne will not be attending the Leadership Conference due to personal reasons. She will be soliciting opinions from the NAFAA membership regarding issues to bring forth on behalf of NAFAA. The executive council discussed:

- ❖ Eliminating 30 day delay
- ❖ Eliminating split disbursement
- ❖ Eliminating loan fees
- ❖ Increasing academic year Stafford Loan limits
- ❖ Reviewing recent articles on the proposed elimination of estate tax and what impact that would have on grant funding. (Marsha will be sending Alliance article to executive council to review article).

NAFAA SCHOLARSHIP: Renee Baker, TMCC, is working on reviewing the possibility of offering scholarship to attend WASFAA conference to a current NAFAA member who has served as a part of NAFAA. The amount of scholarship

has not been determined. Renee will be finalizing this by the end of the week. There will be an application process for this scholarship.

Marsha then discussed the possibility of funding Yvonne's airfare to the WASFAA Conference in lieu of the Leadership Conference. Since airfares to Honolulu are down, the committee discussed the feasibility of Marsha's proposal. Lori motioned that we fund Yvonne's airfare; Renee seconded. Motion passed. A motion to provide an option in the future to fund president-elects' travel up to a limited dollar amount in the future will be discussed at the NAFAA meeting at WASFAA for the membership to discuss and vote. Renee mentioned that this may help to secure future volunteers for the executive council and lack of funds wouldn't prevent the president-elect to be able to represent NAFAA at the WASFAA Conferences. Council agreed.

TRAINING NEEDS: Marsha discussed the cancellation of recent training due to lack of interest. She would like to survey the membership for training needs. Renee suggested that the ease of technology and the abundance of information via the Web might account for the lack of interest. Council agreed.

New Business:

2003 NAFAA CONFERENCE: Yvonne reported that the 2003 NAFAA Conference will be held on November 12 and 13 in the Siena Hotel, Reno. Karmen Dominguez, College Loan Corp. has agreed to co-chair the conference. Ben Loya (EdFund), Jacquie Carroll (UOP), Rhonda Neale (EdFund), and Lori Brown have offered to assist. EdFund graciously agreed to create the marketing piece. They will be having a teleconference to discuss items such as menu, theme, etc. Yvonne asked if anyone had any ideas for a theme for the conference. Marsha suggested that the 2002 conference theme could come from the evening event.

PROJECT STARFISH: Marsha reported that Project Starfish was submitted to NASFAA for an innovative program state award nomination.

NAFAA MEETING: Sunday, April 13, 2003 at WASFAA Conference, Hilton Hawaiian Hotel in Honolulu, Hawai'i, 10 a.m. – 11a.m.

NAFAA HISTORY: Laura urged members to share their past NAFAA experiences, pictures, scrapbook items with her so she can compile the NAFAA history. If you have anything to share, please bring it with you to the WASFAA Conference. Renee suggested that we could have a history activity at the NAFAA Meeting on April 13th.

Meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.