

Idaho Association of TRIO Professionals State Meeting Minutes 5/14/2020, 9 am -10:24 am PST

Call to order – 9:03 am by Evelyn Carter

Roll Call: Julia Wenzel, Juana Gonzalez, Randy Palmer, Ryan Brevik, Warren Jones, Sari Byerly, Elizabeth Jewell, Martha Ramirez, Mercedes Frausto, Amanda Greco, Monica Galvan, Holly Edwards, Gayle Otto, Nikki Cavalero, Arielle Horan, Megan Simila, Corey Simpson, Austyn Richards, Guillermo Raya, Jennifer Garipey, Sari Byerly, Kayleigh Heater, Martha Ramirez, Eric Gower, Bailey Nygaard, Angel Davila, Erinn Cruz, Reinalyn Echon, Evelyn Carter, Amanda Dormaier, Holly Kimbrell, Michael Rupp, Renea Midthun, Janelle Culley, Maria Garcia, Anela Caldwell, Sonja Kirsten LaPaglia, Steven Martin, Traci Birdsell, Maurice Pittman, Heather Maib, Brian Dulin, Josh Baros, Jessica Samuels, Becky Cochran, Storm Jansson, Mikel Sears, Eric Lopez, Randall Bennett, Renee Strouse, Courtney Murray, Hillary O'Brien, Scott Clyde, Tracy Kanikkeberg, John Myers, Joshua Engler, Rainey Parker, Jesus Garcia, Petya Stoyanova Johnson

- Approval of Minutes: Scott Clyde voted to approve the minutes from our Oct 22, 2019 meeting, Holly Edwards seconded. The minutes were approved by those in attendance with no abstentions or disapprovals.

Review of Agenda

- Evelyn asked for a motion to approve the agenda for the meeting. Petya voted to approve, Arielle seconded. Michael Rupp asked if we could add new business to the agenda. He has a proposal to add to the bylaws, a process for bringing new business to IATP meetings.

Officer Reports

- Past President – Petya. Scholarship committee will award 18 scholarships of \$250 each. They used an awarding process she will discuss later.
- President – Evelyn. Policy Seminar was challenging with all communication online. She expressed appreciation for the committees she's worked with and excitement about the IATP conference at LCSC spring 2021.
- President Elect – Arielle. Thanks to Josh and Sari for doing so much work regionally and with COE. They've set lots of things in place for IATP to be successful. Regarding Fair Share: we have lots of institutional support, and she was pleased to announce that Idaho is #1 at 155%. Thanks to everyone who has contributed!
- Treasurer's Report – Ryan. Expenses are very low this year due to not holding the spring IATP conference and no travel expense related to Policy Seminar. Delta Air did not refund the airfare but it will be held in escrow for the alum (Jenny) to attend Policy next year. Ryan discussed the balance of the account going forward.

Committee Reports

- Public Relations – Hillary. Shout out to the committee members, they were a tremendous help putting together the Factbook. There is a PDF copy on the IATP website if anyone would like to print it out. Committee members have also been working on other projects: adding a map of where all programs are across the state as well as a newsletter.
- Alumni Relations – Eric. Committee was working on a database to contact alumni, then discovered that COE has an alumni page which is similar to Facebook. Programs can encourage alumni set up an account on this page and enter their information, including program they participated in, state, etc. This eliminates issues of legality. Eric has decided to step down as the lead from this committee.
- Government Relations – Megan. Committee has made a list of all representatives and legislators for each district in Idaho and plan to get their contact information out to IATP members. She reminded everyone that we can vote by absentee ballot this year and that we should all make sure to participate in the US Census.
- Conference Committee –Arielle. IATP will be spring 2021 at LCSC, we need a committee to start planning. If you're interested, please check in with Becky or Arielle and meet in the breakout session after the state meeting.

- Scholarship Committee – Petya. Thank you for the committee who was part of this effort. It was challenging to decide how to award 18 scholarships out of 107 applications submitted. The committee created an equitable method to select winners; it was decided to award by the number of students enrolled in each program. Moving forward, the committee plans to adjust the application so that they can accept nominations from the specialist and check that the student is enrolled the following fall. If a student is not attending in the fall, the committee will move to those on a back-up list. She encouraged IATP to donate to the scholarships fund for 2021. The number of awards per institution is as follows:
 - BSU: 6
 - ISU: 5
 - UI: 4
 - LCSC: 1
 - NIC: 2
- Student Leadership – Heather was unable to attend but sent information to Arielle. There is discussion about hosting an adult leadership conference aimed at professional development and grad school prep that coincides with the IATP conference. In addition, Heather is working on developing a needs assessment.

Unfinished Business - none

New Business

- Petya decided to wait to announce scholarship winners. She needs to get information from the TRIO specialist to be sure the student is enrolled Fall 2020. She will send a list of all awardees by the end of May, once all information is verified and Ryan sends the checks out.
- IATP State Conference site rotation – Arielle made suggestions for the next four years of IATP state meetings. It was recommended to coordinate with NAEOP locations. This eases the pressure so institutions don't have to host state and regional conferences in the same year. The motion was approved by attendees, with no abstentions or disapprovals. The rotation was approved as follows:
 - Spring21 LCSC
 - Spring22 BSU
 - Spring23 ISU
 - Spring24 U of I
- Michael Rupp suggested a process for adding new business to state IATP meetings. He submitted a document with his ideas and rationale for this proposal. Petya commented that the board has tried in the past, to ask for new business items prior to IATP meetings but hasn't been effective in receiving feedback. She suggested proposing this idea to the Listserve. Corey suggested adding institutional representation to the board. Arielle recommended waiting to get more information since we were just presented this information. Holly encouraged members to get involved; being on a committee or in a board position allows you to have a voice. Michael acknowledged her points but advocated for opportunities for members to be more engaged in IATP; if this process was in the bylaws, it would be binding. He argued that the more opportunities members can contribute to IATP, the more interest and growth our organization will have. It was commented that this doesn't need to be a new bylaw, it could be something the president does as a regular practice prior to state meetings. Petya encouraged members to continue the conversation and come back to it later. Arielle suggested the board discuss this issue and determine a way to obtain further IATP member feedback. She said she would be uncomfortable with the board voting on a binding bylaw without having the chance to carefully review the document and make amendments as needed. Josh encouraged IATP to look at the process for adding a bylaw versus changing the policies and procedures. A motion was offered to table Michael's proposal to allow for more discussion. The motion carried with no abstentions or disapprovals.

Adjournment

- Meeting was adjourned at 10:26 am PST, with committees splitting into various breakout rooms.