## CSMA Board of Directors Meeting | June 1, 2017 | 9 a.m. | Agenda 9253 Sori Lane, Highlands Ranch, CO 80126

**Attendance:** Jack Kennedy, Annie Gorenstein-Falkenberg, Carrie Hendrix, Jess Hunziker, Tina Barber, Patrick Moring, Gina Claus, Sheila Jones, JEA Mentor

## **AGENDA**

Meeting called to order

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Review of March 2017 minutes-approved as posted
- 3. Officer Reports
  - a. Executive Director, Jack Kennedy
    - i. J-Day 2017
      - 1. October 19 at the Lory Student Center at CSU
      - 2. Jack always interested in ideas, send him an email
      - 3. Best of Show options
        - a. Video Options could be revisited--add a play by play category
        - b. Video submit broadcast & judge instructed to browse
    - ii. Updates on summer workshops (June 5-7) line items in budget
      - 1. Rethink at 63 students enrolled
      - 2. Summer Adviser Workshop at 9
    - iii. Updates on student contests/awards (Best of Colorado, All-Colorado, xxx of the Year, and Scholarships) line items in budget
      - 1. Best of Colorado-number of entries increased
      - 2. All Colorado 30 yearbooks so far, 50ish expected, Deadline June 5
      - 3. Designer, Photographer, Reporter of year
        - a. \$250 to student & student's program, 1st year awarded money
        - b. Hoping entries will increase
          - i. Broadcast 3 entries, up by one
      - 4. Scholarships only 4 apply for Greer, no applications specifically for the Benson
      - 5. Fearless Contest--prize was a voucher to be used on staff development at a CSMA event
        - a. Rangeview will be using their award to attend Rethink
    - iv. Updates on our partnerships line items in budget
      - 1. Can be found on website, in budget
        - a. Should we look at more affiliates, provides support?
    - v. Update on website and social media
      - 1. Free from School Newspapers Online (allowing their advertising)
      - 2. Not much feedback about website
        - a. Jack looking for suggestions to add/move information around
        - b. Could make board members contributors to website
      - 3. Social media accounts not posted much
        - a. Highlight winners through social media
      - 4. Newsletter good reminder for advisers with links to website, add publication email address to Wufoo form
    - vi. CSMA Budget
      - 1. Review Current Budget Information

- a. Note: there are 4 tabs across the bottom of the sheet
- b. Record number of CSMA memberships this year
  - i. 225 Members
  - ii. 4 sister school donations
- c. Phasing out CSMA store people really don't use it
- d. JDAY did well, more attended than expected
- e. Record amount of sponsors (CU Boulder, Walsworth, SNO)
- f. Parking passes, prices up because of fewer parking spaces
- g. Fewer attended SAW, Winter Thaw
  - . Numbers for SAW are up for 2017
- h. Contest total \$8366.90, over half of membership fees
- i. CFOIC need to get at JDAY, hold session about how to fill out FOIR
- j. Scholarships all stayed in state
- k. When CO advisers win national awards, CSMA offers to help send them, no application
- l. CO advisers professional growth, no application
- m. Other investment opportunities (money market acct) with higher yield?
  - i. Self-sustaining interest would be used for grants, etc.
  - ii. Creates security for organization outside J-Day & memberships
  - iii. Tina looking into this
- b. President, Annie Gorenstein Falkenberg
  - i. Review <u>CSMA constitution and bylaws</u>
    - 1. Change wording for board members to serve
      - a. Must be current adviser of CSMA member media
      - b. Motion to amend bylaws Jess, Second Gina. Vote & motion passed
    - 2. Jack retiring in 3ish years, need to consider how the by-laws support our ability to appoint committees
  - ii. Review <u>CSMA board of directors job descriptions</u>
    - 1. Board Meetings--3 in person meetings per year
  - iii. CSMA 2017-2018 Calendar
    - 1. Constitution Day Sept 17
    - 2. J-Day Best of Show entry deadline Oct 13
    - 3. J-Day Oct 19
    - 4. CSMA Board Meeting Dec 2
    - 5. Fall Challenge Contest deadline Dec 4
      - a. PSA on Freedom of the Press
      - b. Marketing plan
    - 6. Winter Thaw Jan 26 or Feb 2
    - 7. Capitol Hill Press Conference Feb 23 or 26
    - 8. CSMA Spring Board Meeting TBA, maybe after Capitol Hill (Feb 26)
    - 9. Winter FUN contests deadline March 1
    - 10. Best of Colorado contest deadline April 10
    - 11. \*\*\* of the Year Deadline April 15

- 12. CSMA Summer Board Meeting June 1
- 13. All Colorado Critique deadline June 4
- 14. SAW/Rethink June 4-6
- 15. Adviser/Administrator of the Year Nomination Deadline June 30
- iv. CJE, MJE--Push for Members
- v. CTE Certification
  - 1. With CJE, CTE requires two additional classes
  - 2. Ad hoc committee, Jed Palmer interested, Ben Reed good resource
- vi. All Colorado Hall of Fame
  - 1. 6 of 7 years (on
    - a. Yearbooks: 4 in, 7 close
    - b. Newspapers: 2 in, 1 close
    - c. Video: 1 only
    - d. Website: none in yet
    - e. 7 yes, possible 15
    - f. Individual plaque (should stand out from All Colorado award), Yearly Engraved plaque left at CSU (should be fairly big... 30-45)
    - g. Notify teachers, principals, press releases
- vii. Best of Colorado (<u>newspaper</u>, <u>yearbook</u>, <u>video</u>)
  - 1. Yearbook Categories
    - a. Chronological small change, still 3 spreads, but don't have to be consecutive, goal is that spreads show breadth and depth of chronological coverage
    - b. Umbrella coverage how do we better include this type of coverage?
    - c. Suggest appointment of Justin Daigle to head committee to design and monitor contests and rubrics
    - d. Add into instructions: Please do not submit the same spread into multiple categories. It is fine to enter a sports spread and then a photo/caption from that spread in the photography category, but the same spread should not be submitted in multiple spread categories
    - e. We need to unveil any changes by J-Day
- c. Immediate Past President, Adam Dawkins
  - i. Press Law & Ethics course
    - 1. Getting more interest
      - a. Former participant shout-outs
      - b. Might go dominant for year, kick off after J-Day 2018
      - c. Reach out to former "students" how it's been useful (advertisement)
      - d. Package with the CJE exam--sell it as a prep class
  - ii. CSMA Staff Spotlight project
    - 1. How to get more interest
      - a. Make simpler, more fun, board use as outreach program
      - b. Care package for those who submit
        - i. August Jess Hunziker
        - ii. September Kristi Rathbun
        - iii. October Annie Gorenstein Falkenberg

- iv. November Carrie Hendrix
- v. December Adam Dawkins
- vi. January \_ Tina Barber
- vii. February Patrick Moring
- viii. March Gina Claus
- ix. April Karen Slusher
- x. May Justin Daigle
- d. Vice-President. Jess Hunziker
  - i. CSMA Shirts?
  - ii. A different, but very similar idea
    - 1. Eastbay store? Get contact information to Jack for Eastbay Rep
- 4. Committee Reports
  - a. Digital Media Coordinator Patrick Moring
    - i. Video programs struggling in schools (time commitment, no adviser experience)
    - ii. Need network of video advisers (share curriculum, hands-on training to visit schools)
    - iii. Need workshop or some form of outreach between seasoned and newer programs, video strand for SAW (by next year), partner with national organization
    - iv. Solicit experienced video advisers who can help /mentor new advisers
    - v. Leveraging partnerships between yearbook and video programs
  - b. Education Coordinator Tina Barber
    - i. "Taking the Lede" curriculum development
      - 1. Based on JEA model
      - 2. On website soon
      - 3. Jack has stuff to share
    - ii. Adviser professional development (need name)
    - iii. Lessons to use immediately
    - iv. Need for networking
    - v. Subscribe to Seth Godin's website
  - c. Advocacy Coordinator Kristi Rathbun
    - i. JEA Contests and Awards
      - 1. JEA Rising Star due June 15
      - 2. Towley
      - 3. JEA Medal of Merit
      - 4. Lifetime
      - 5. NSPA Pioneer
      - 6. Dow Jones and JEA advisers (Broadcast and YBK) of the year due Oct 15
      - 7. CSMA Adviser of the Year
      - 8. CSMA Administrator of the Year
      - 9. CSMA Medal of Merit
      - 10. Friend of Scholastic Journalism
    - ii. JEA Spring Report
      - 1. In doing NSPA Advisory Committee meetings, Mitch Eden talked about a monthly curriculum piece. They take turns between Board members. This could be attached to the CSMA newsletter. Let's organize this in June.
  - d. Middle School Coordinator Gina Claus

## 5. New Business

- a. Renewal of "ad hoc" contest of some sort in the fall (perhaps a PSA or display ad about the First Amendment, or at least freedom of speech/press?)
- b. Possible new winter contests (using BNC) with some "fun" categories
  - i. Possible Ideas (Borrowed from FSPA): A quick turn-around yearbook or magazine spread -- or a two-minute video? or a day of social media coverage? -- about a single day on campus -- choosing one day from a particular week, and/or a marketing campaign requiring a print ad, a radio ad, and a TV ad for a product or service we pick, or a writing contest with a designated theme... or all of the above). A cooking video. A Pardon the Interruption package.
- c. Dottie Roberts Foundation
  - i. CSMA partnering for college scholarships for women majoring in journalism
- d. Final discussion and vote on 2017-18 CSMA budget
  - i. CSMA t-shirts through CSMA store (only want to break even)
  - ii. CSMA pay for any JEA member & CSMA media member adviser to take CJE exam
  - iii. No money budgeted for FUN contest, Volunteer judges.
  - iv. Add \$2,000 for Hall of Fame plaques in #12 Scholarships & Student/Adviser Awards
  - v. Motion to accept 2017-2018 budget as proposed. Second Gina, Vote & motion passed.