## CSMA Board of Directors Meeting | February 29th, 2020 | 9:00am - 1:30pm Rock Canyon High School, 5810 McArthur Ranch Rd, Littleton, CO 80124

**Attendance:** Jack Kennedy, Annie Gorenstein Falkenberg, Jessica Hunziker (excused), Kristi Rathbun, Christine Fry, Patrick Moring, Sergio Luis Yanes, Tina Barber (excused), Yvette Manculich.

## **AGENDA**

Meeting called to order - Called to order at 9:16am.

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Reading, correction, and acceptance of **December** minutes.
- 3. Officer Reports
  - a. Executive Director, Jack Kennedy
    - i. Financial Report
      - 1. Drop in the Fidelity account due to stock market, still up over the year.
      - 2. No budget adjustments necessary at this time.
      - 3. Membership and J-Day will increase account after June.
    - ii. CTE Changes
      - 1. Online form can be used to add Student Learning Objectives
      - 2. Look for draft and feedback opportunities in March
      - Course titles will be changing in 2021-22
    - iii. Dottie Roberts Scholarship administration update
      - 1. Withdrawal of proposal due to exec. director change.
      - 2. Students applicants can still apply through whichever institution gains the administration of this scholarship trust.
  - b. President, Jessica Hunziker
    - i. Executive director update: sent out job description on Listserve and in CSMA weekly email with no responses. Next steps or new approaches?
      - 1. JEA Listserve announcement posted by Kristi on Feb. 29
        - a. Multiple postings to follow
          - i. Justin March 9
          - ii. Jack March 16
      - 2. Indeed, Monster, Glassdoor, LinkedIn March 20?
  - c. Immediate Past President, Annie Gorenstein Falkenberg
    - Past President Role and an idea for change
      - 1. Replace with Contest/Critique Coordinator position?
      - 2. Special Election possibility May?
      - 3. Resignation offered final action by president TBD.
  - d. Vice-President, Kristi Rathbun (no report)
- 4. Committee Reports
  - a. Digital Media Coordinator Patrick Moring
    - i. Colorado Broadcasters Association Update

- 1. Formation of the Education Committee bit of a stand still
- 2. Future Broadcaster Award submissions to be reviewed
- Suggestions to the CBA to reach out through SAW, ReTHINK, News Literacy Project model
- b. Education Coordinator Tina Barber (excused, family emergency)
- c. Advocacy Coordinator Sergio Luis Yanes
  - i. HB20-1062
    - 1. Unanimously passed in House Ed Committee
    - 2. Passed in House 59-0-6 (gained 37 co-sponsors)
    - 3. Was scheduled to be heard in Senate Ed Committee this past Thursday, but it was pushed to this coming Wednesday (March 4), upon adjournment (ran out of time)
    - 4. March 4 hearing is "upon adjournment"
    - 5. Overall, we have a lot of support and we have not seen/heard of any organized opposition to the bill, which makes us cautiously hopeful
    - 6. SAW or J-Day: Session about the updates to the law?
    - 7. CASE Conference exhibitor or session spot? Maybe touch base with our administrators? a) are they attending? b) want to co-present? Panel? (What are the dates for CASE this summer?)
- d. Middle School Coordinator Yvette Manculich
  - Outreach and New Membership: Compiling a list of advisers from LPS, Cherry Creek, Douglas, Jeffco, Englewood, DPS.
  - 2. Email that list in mid-March to connect with Best of Colorado contests.
- e. JEA State Director, Justin Daigle
  - i. Mark Newton will be honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award from JEA in April in Nashville.
  - ii. JEA Colorado State Report is due March 9
  - iii. Dorothy Greer Scholarship Update final winners will be announced next week.
- 5. New/Unfinished Business
  - a. Progress on Press Law & Ethics online course -- \$660 per year (suggest paying for two years in March) Adam = our course designer. JEA can host five courses in the latest two-year contract, with ours being their third.
    - i. Proposed amendment to budget, increase by \$1,320
    - ii. Vote: Approved unanimous.
  - b. Discuss application procedures for first Don Ridgway Freedom of Speech award (first one to be presented at J-Day 2020)
    - Application Due Date: June 30
    - ii. Forms and application details to be shared and approved via email
  - c. Discuss the need for a Colorado-specific Principal's Guide to Student Media

- i. Student Free Expression Law in practice situations
- ii. Sunshine Laws
- iii. Resources
- iv. Category specific structure
  - 1. Yearbook
  - 2. Online
  - 3. Magazine
  - 4. Broadcast
  - 5. FAQ
  - 6. How To
- v. Formation of committee may be needed
- d. J-Day 2020, due to LSC renovation part 2, Sept. 24
  - i. Strategies to deal with lack of space
    - 1. Communicate directly with advisers in Listserve emails
    - 2. Specify seat numbers
    - 3. Big names and topics in ballrooms
    - 4. Feedback from previous speakers
    - 5. Kristi/Tina work to build speaker list, invites, confirmations
    - 6. Concurrent activity? Tour of stadium? Allcar Museum of Art? Attach a contest of some sort?

Meeting adjourned at 11:27 a.m., with next meeting Saturday, May 30, tentatively at Rock Canyon HS.