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ICYPAA Advisory Council Board of Directors Quarterly Business Meeting Agenda

May 15, 2022 @ 12:00 PM PDT / 1:00 PM MDT / 2:00 PM CDT / 3:00 PM EDT

- Opening: @ 2:08PM
- Roll Call: Phillip, MK, Mo, Rachel, Chris B, Jared, Katie E, Joe, Katie R, James M, Tamara
 - Absent: Nathan K, Shannon, Kelsey, and Tyler
- Review & approval of minutes from February 27, 2021 Quarterly Business Meeting
 - Unapproved February Minutes
 - **Joe motions to suspend the reading of the minutes and approve as written.**
 - **James M seconds**
 - **MK - Yes**
 - **Chris B - Yes**
 - **Rachel - Always**
 - **Jared - Yes**
 - **Katie E - Yes**
 - **Joe - Yes**
 - **Katie R - Yes**
 - **Tam - Yes**
 - **Mo - Yes**
 - **James M - Yes**
 - **Motion passes**
- Reports
 - Chair Report (Phillip)
 - Chris - So do we need to cancel our reservations?
 - Phillip - She said she would do that. She said they would copy over your details from your previous reservations, book you into the right room, and cancel your reservations. That's the part I would like to see some confirmation on.
 - Chris - Better to have two vs zero.
 - Phillip - What we know for sure is that we have 20 staff rooms from Wed - Sunday night.
 - Jared - I remember last year there was some off-color topical stuff. Is that what got cut?
 - Phillip - The covid stuff?
 - Jared - Yeah
 - Phillip - None of that stuff ever actually went into production but I do



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know that the baby onesie that said, “Straight outta YPAA” was cut and then just some of the other stuff. They just had so much stuff. I can pull that up towards the end of the meeting.

- Co-Chair Report (Mary Kate)
- Treasurer Report (Mo)
- Secretary Report (Rachel)
- Hotel & AV Report (Shannon)
- Bid Development Report (Rachel)
- General Service Report (Tyler)
- Finance Report (Kelsey)
- Tech Report (Katie E)
- Archivist Report (David)
- Structure Report (Chris B)
- New Business
 - Discussion Point
 - Alternate participation (Structure)
 - Rachel reads discussion point
 - MK - I think alternates should be allowed to, we barely had quorum today and engagement has been super low. I think we should be giving people who want to do work and want to do work more responsibility and authority.
 - Joe - I don't think this is necessary. We're trying to fix a problem that is very difficult to fix and I don't think that this will solve much of anything. The whole alternate structure is very unique to



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YPAA as opposed to anywhere else. You're kind of just stuck as an alternate and can't really do much of anything. HC elects people for a reason. I don't know, I don't think this will help much.

- Katie E - I feel like there are alternates who are really active in subcommittees and it's worth taking a look at their involvement and serving as chair. Maybe it has something to do with what has been happening over the last couple years and everyone feeling a burnout but I know on Structure it got really complicated discussing the ins and outs of how this would work. I do know some are super active so it's worth looking at.
- Jared - I think this is a great step (really hard to hear). I appreciate the conversation around it. I was not a part of a committee for the first couple years so I wasn't super engaged but when I rolled on I got super involved and I'm super grateful for that. (hard to hear) We haven't had any fresh blood on council and it's an interesting time. I don't think it's unique to the past couple years.
- Rachel - Served on Structure so I am interested to see how other people feel about it. However, I will say that we do have some really willing alternates who are ready to be of service and the whole, "Oh we've been going through unprecedented times" and that the "principle" members were voted on by the host - we have principle members who aren't showing up yall. The lack of participation right now is staggering and we have alternates that ARE participating, showing up, doing the work. Why would we not allow them this opportunity? It's going to be a pain in the ass to figure out logistics but they're willing.
- Katie R - I don't feel super passionate about this.
- James M tech difficulties
- Tam - I'm indifferent but I would hate for this to happen before primary council members are able to chair committees because I know that has happened. It should be that if no principal council members want to chair then go to alternates. People are voted in by their group in order and so yeah.
- Mo - I'm in favor. I think the logistics could be figured out. I'm a big supporter of giving people who want to serve, the opportunities to do so. I'm a little fired up about our lack of participation today



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so this is an ironic discussion. Going off of this, based on this discussion, our attendance policy should be looked at or followed. That needs to have more support, I don't know the word, but that needs to be followed better.

- Chris B - Exciting to hear back. I agree with moving in the direction of having more involvement. I think that giving alternates a voice on council and (technical difficulties) we should give the chair flexibility to draw from the broadest talent pool. In practice it'll probably just be one a year and they should be reimbursed.

■ Round 2

- MK - Nothing to add
- Joe - As it pertains to this particular discussion point I have nothing to add.
- Katie E - Nothing to add
- Jared - I do think that the attendance policy should hold more weight like Mo was saying. I'd be curious to see this at next year's meeting to see if we continue to have this issue. I don't see this as an issue in the previous years.
- Rachel - Nothing to add
- Katie R - Nothing new to add
- Tam - Nothing new to add
- Mo - I just wanted to add that if a member has vote then I fully believe they should also be reimbursed for their travel and their participation in council activities.
- Chris - Thanks very much everyone and we'll circle back on this.

- Announcements

- *Next meeting is out Annual Business Meeting held on September 1st*

- Closing