



Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, April 22, 2020
2:00 PM-4:00 PM
Conference Call
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Presiding: Nichole Taylor – President

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and hearing the thought of the day which was a reading from the Dalai Lama about “Respect Toward Others”.

Roll call was taken and the following BOD members were present:

Nichole Taylor	Susan Eichelberger	Randi Mongiello	Jennifer Riegle
Gina Giarratana	Jace Cameron	Kelsey Gartner	Kristan Delle
Dimitria Barrios	Chris Dunn	Karin Marlin	Pamela Gallagher
Curtistine Walker	Gerry Giarratana	Allison Kimmel	Vonda Ramp
Nicole Melia	Justin Tech	Beverly Hendricks	Melissa Patterson
	Todd Holmes		Kim Schneider

BOD Members Absent: Laura Frye

A motion was made by Jace Cameron and seconded by Chris Dunn that the February 6, 2019 meeting minutes be approved. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Jace Cameron and seconded by Kristin Delle to approve the agenda. The motion carried.

Curtistine Walker served as the Parliamentarian and Angela DeSarro served as the Timekeeper.

Report/Update from Vonda Ramp -PDE

Vonda expressed praise for the essential workers and stated that school food service operations have done an amazing job and that we should be proud of the work that has been done. It all started on Friday, March 13 and a lot has transpired since that time.

The USDA provided the following waivers:

- Non-Congregate Feeding: FNS is allowing meals to be served to children outside of the normally-required group setting to support social distancing.
- Parent Pickup: FNS is allowing parents and/or guardians to pick up meals and bring them home to their children.
- Meal Times: FNS is waiving requirements that meals be served at certain standard times to allow for grab-n-go options. This also allows for multiple days-worth of meals to be provided at once.
- Area eligibility requirements were waived for school food authorities and community organizations operating SSO and SFSP during COVID-19 mandated school closures.

USDA emails and notifications will be ongoing and responses from surveys will be requested weekly. There is a need to receive information faster than the 60 days claim deadlines.

Meal counts showed a steady increase and started to remain steady after 5 weeks.

Reported supply issues:

- Shortage of masks
- Pre-packaged meals items and/or meals

USDA has been asked to re-evaluate unitized meals. There is a need for commercial sized products for meal service to households. How can we convert these items to 1 lb. protein, 1 lb. starch, 1 lb. vegetable for a family.

What about summer? Right now nothing is really known because we are still operating under the current declared emergency.

May 5th – maybe some will return to work.

Pandemic EBT – provision for free and reduced students. They will be eligible for \$5.70 per child per day for breakfast and lunch. The Department of Human Services will be issuing this allotment for 64 days from March 15 –June 12. The funds will be added to children’s EBT cards. There will be equal access abroad.

Update from PDA Report- Caryn Long Earl - PDA

Food Banks – school ordering catalog, non-closed for fruits and vegetables.

DOD fresh can only be able to be ordered once a year. Some have missed the deadline.

Processing lbs. due to school closings – deliveries Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Let Nick know if you will not be using DOD funds.

Processing – sweeps will take place in July – Lamb Wesson, Campbell’s, Sour Brand and Litehouse.

PDE surveys addressed food availability, products on hand and what was refused and had to be re-allocated.

Report of the President-Elect, Gina Giarratana

2020 Conference – The conference committee is moving ahead with planning although there are uncertainties.

The Kalahari plans to re-open on May 22nd for small meetings. They are in the process of planning on how events can be run with restrictions. The 1st event is scheduled for June 10th. . New wording on policies states that if 45% or more of the expected participants can’t travel due to district restrictions, cancellation of the conference would be penalty free. We could change the schedule or commit to another conference date.

In a previous meeting it was discussed that preserving relationships could include flexibility with not filling rooms and contract penalties, however flexibilities are not being offered.

25 vendors have signed up so far. Info to plan for contingency? No CDC regulations for all allied partnerships.

120 booths are needed to prevent profit loss.

ALL OTHER REPORTS WERE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY

For the Good of the Order

The Secretary/Treasurer casted the vote for the unopposed incoming newly elected candidates.

Other Business

- a. Adjournment - A motion was made by Jace Cameron and seconded by Susan Eichelberger that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried and we proceeded with going into the Closed Door Session at 3:12 pm.

Calendar/Future Meetings

- July 12th -14 th, 2020 ANC- Nashville, TN
- August 2nd -August 6th, 2020 SNAPA Annual Conference –Kalahari
- August 3, 2020- 2020-2021 Board of Directors Meeting – Kalahari, Mt Pocono
- Region III Regional Meeting- August 13, 2020

Submitted by Curtistine Walker, SNAPA Secretary/ Treasurer