

**National Peace Corps Association
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
June 20, 2016 – Teleconference**

Directors Present: Randolph Adams, J. Henry (Hank) Ambrose, Jane Bardon, Glenn Blumhorst (*ex officio*), Jayne Booker, Sandra Bunch, Janet Greig, Corey Griffin, Dennis Grubb, Marjorie Harrison, Gary Schulze, Susan Senecah, Maricarmen Smith-Martinez, Linda Stingl, Joby Taylor

Directors Absent with Apology: Tony Barclay, Brian Forde, Angela Harris, Mal Warwick

Staff Present: Anne Baker (Vice President), Megan Patrick (Communications Director), Jonathan Pearson (Advocacy Director), Kate Schwanhausser (Membership/Development Assistant)

Guests: Sharon Keld, Board Emeritus

Call to Order – Joby Taylor, Board Chair

The Board Chair called the Meeting to order at 8:05PM Eastern Time, and following an initial roll call, stated that a quorum was present.

Minutes Review: The motion to approve the March 5, 2016 minutes as published in the June 2016 Board Book was seconded and carried.

Interim Action by the Executive Committee - Jane Bardon, Secretary

As provided in NPCA Policy 2015014M, the Executive Committee approved four applications for group affiliation.

EXCOM ACTION 1 – April 25, 2016

Resolved: that the Executive Committee of the NPCA Board of Directors approves the application of the **Green Mountain Returned Peace Corps Volunteers** (Vermont) as an NPCA Affiliate Group. *Motion seconded and carried.*

EXCOM ACTION 2 – April 25, 2016

Resolved: that the Executive Committee of the NPCA Board of Directors approves the application of the **Returned Peace Corps Volunteers at USAID** (RPCVs@AID) as an NPCA Affiliate Group. *Motion seconded and carried.*

EXCOM ACTION 3 – June 15, 2016

Resolved: that the Executive Committee of the NPCA Board of Directors approves the application of the **Magnolia State Returned Peace Corps Volunteers (Mississippi)** as an NPCA Affiliate Group. *Motion seconded and carried.*

EXCOM ACTION 4 – June 15, 2016

Resolved: that the Executive Committee of the NPCA Board of Directors approves the application of the **RPCVs of the Southern Tier - NY** as an NPCA Affiliate Group. *Motion seconded and carried.*

President's Report – Glenn Blumhorst, NPCA President and CEO

NPCA's principal priorities during the reporting period included:

- Advance the Community Fund.
- Implement the Fundraising Plan.
- Build NPCA organizational capacity.
- Plan Peace Corps Connect – 2016 and the Peace Corps 55th commemoration.
- Begin the 2016 Board Director nomination and election process.

Community Fund Advisory Committee Report – Corey Griffin, Chair

MOTION 1: Resolved: that the NPCA Board of Directors approves the Revised Community Fund Plan (NPCA Development Plan and Strategy) as recommended by the Community Fund Advisory Committee – Policy 2016007F.

The motion by Hank Ambrose was seconded and carried unanimously.

NOTE: This policy supersedes Policy 2015009B (September 28, 2015)

Committee activities included:

- Recruit Community Fund Advisory Committee members.
- Update the Community Fund Plan.
- Revise the Case for Giving.
- Renewed the collaborative partnership with the Building Bridges Coalition.

Treasurer/Finance Committee Report – Janet Greig (for Tony Barclay, Acting Treasurer)

MOTION 2: Resolved: that the NPCA Board of Directors approves the Revised Investment Policy as recommended by the Finance Committee – Policy 2016006F

The motion by Janet Greig for the Finance Committee was carried unanimously.

NOTE: This policy supersedes Policy 2013001F (March 2, 2013).

Balance Sheet: The balance sheet reflects total net assets of \$624,997 (-\$187,185 unrestricted) in April 2016, compared to \$526,775 (-\$293,493 unrestricted) in April 2015.

Net Loss/Gain: the profit/loss statement shows a \$27,530 net gain in assets for 2016 through April.

As of the end of April, the year-to-date (unaudited) figures are as follows:

	<u>2016 actual</u>	<u>2016 budget</u>	<u>2016 variance</u>
Total Revenues	\$409,537	\$433,417	(\$23,880)
Total Expenses	\$382,007	\$423,185	(\$41,178)
Change in net assets	\$27,530	\$10,232	\$17,298

Business and Development (B&D) Committee Report – Sandra Bunch, Chair**Committee activities included:**

- Develop the Community Fund (CF) and the CF Advisory Committee
- Promote the Shriver Dinner concept to involve more individuals in NPCA
- Seek sponsorships for Peace Corps Connect – 2016
- Develop the Board Emeriti group
- Promote the Legacy of Peace
- Encourage Board Directors to complete the Board Member Action Plan (BMAP)

Governance Committee Report – Jane Bardon, Chair

Interim Board Nominations and Elections: Due to the resignation of Charles McConnell (Board Vice-Chair) from the NPCA Board and the resignation of Dennis Grubb as Board Treasurer, the Governance Committee presented two interim nominations to the Board:

MOTION 3: The Governance Committee nominates **Randy Adams as Vice-Chair** to serve until the Annual Board meeting in September, 2016.

The motion by Jane Bardon for the Governance Committee was carried unanimously.

MOTION 4: The Governance Committee nominates **Tony Barclay as Treasurer** to serve until the Annual Board meeting in September, 2016.

The motion by Jane Bardon for the Governance Committee was carried unanimously.

Governing Policies: Following the recommendation of the Auditors, the Governance committee has developed five new general policies which are presented to the Board for approval.

MOTION 5: Resolved: that the NPCA Board approves the **NPCA Code of Ethics and Conduct (CEC)** as recommended by the Governance committee – Policy 2016001G.

The motion by Jane Bardon for the Governance Committee was carried unanimously.

MOTION 6: Resolved: that the NPCA Board approves the **NPCA Annual Disclosure Statement** as recommended by the Governance committee – Policy 2016002G.

The motion by Jane Bardon for the Governance Committee was carried unanimously.

MOTION 7: Resolved: that the NPCA Board approves the **NPCA Executive Compensation Policy** as recommended by the Governance committee – Policy 2016003G.

The motion by Jane Bardon for the Governance Committee was carried unanimously.

MOTION 8: Resolved: that the NPCA Board approves the **NPCA Document Retention and Destruction Policy** as recommended by the Governance committee – Policy 2016004G.

The motion by Jane Bardon for the Governance Committee was carried unanimously.

MOTION 9: Resolved: that the NPCA Board approves the **NPCA Whistleblower Policy** as recommended by the Governance committee – Policy 2016005G.

The motion by Jane Bardon for the Governance Committee was carried unanimously.

Regular Elections: The AGN Coordinator election will begin soon. The election for four Member-elected Director positions is delayed by database issues. Elections for the three open

Board-Elected Director positions and the four Offices will be at the September 25 Annual Board Meeting.

Policy and Advocacy Committee Report – *Jonathan Pearson (for Angie Harris, Chair)*

Current advocacy activities include:

- Advocate for a FY2017 Budget of \$450 million for Peace Corps.
- Health Justice Awareness Day will be June 23. Plans include an affiliate group webinar on a support network, health legislation, and funding an NPCA Benevolent Fund.
- Peace Corps Connect Capitol Hill Advocacy Day will be Sept. 22. Fifty individuals from sixteen states have registered so far.

Peace Corps Connect (PCC) Advisory and Steering Committee – Kate Schwanhausser, Staff Liaison

Peace Corps Beyond: September 21-25, 2016 in Washington, DC

Registration: Launched in June

Break-out Session Strands: Global Health; Environmental Sustainability; Peace and Security; Economic Development; Equality & Justice

Other Updates:

- Affiliate Group Network Annual Meeting – September 22 (afternoon)
- Walk for Peace – September 25 (morning - 2.7 mile route)

We received proposals to host PCC – 2017 in the Midwest Division from three groups. Those proposals are currently under consideration by the review committee.

- RPCVs of Wisconsin – Madison
- RPCVs of Colorado
- Northern Ohio Returned Volunteer Association

Awards Committee Report – *Anne Baker (for Tony Barclay, Chair)*

- The Harris Wofford Global Citizen Award will go to Ibrahima Sankare of Mali.
- No groups have been nominated for the Ruppe award yet. Please submit any recommendations to Anne or Tony.
- The committee is considering two new awards for advocacy

New Business – *Joby Taylor, Board Chair*

Board/Staff Retreat (September 25-26): Planning for a retreat is in process to include a dinner on Sunday after the Board Meeting and an all-day session on Monday.

Adjournment – *Joby Taylor, Board Chair*

It was moved, seconded and carried that the meeting be adjourned at 9:58 PM Eastern Time.

Jane Bardon, Secretary
NPCA Board of Directors