

Florida NAFME Collegiate General Membership Meeting
January 15, 2015
Tampa Convention Center, TCC 20

- I. Call to Order by Michael Keogh: 5:20pm
- II. Introductions of State Board
- III. General Membership Address by President Micheal Keogh
- IV. Attendance-Kristen Lichtenthal
 - a. Officers in Attendance
 - i. Michael Keogh
 - ii. Marissa Kotzin
 - iii. Melissa Roeder
 - iv. Kristen Lichtenthal
 - v. Andrew Lopez
 - vi. Chelsea Brinda
 - vii. Kristina Benson
 - b. Chapters in Attendance:
 - i. Bethune- 5
 - ii. EFSC-7
 - iii. FAU-15
 - iv. FIU-3
 - v. FSC-10
 - vi. FSU-25
 - vii. Polk State College-7
 - viii. SEU-17
 - ix. UCF-40
 - x. UF-21
 - xi. UM-15
 - xii. USF-9
 - xiii. UNF- 4
 - xiv. Palm Beach-14
- V. President-Elect, Marissa Kotin
 - a. Presidents' Forum Recap
 - i. Main points: Increased and improved communication
 - 1. Options: chapter officers meeting monthly to collaborate and give ideas/gain feedback
 - ii. Adding a third Collegiate "Conference" focused on NAFME development and Leadership
 - 1. To take place in May, near the Executive Board's May Meeting
 - iii. Standardize and unify the officer positions of all Florida chapters
 - 1. For example: Changing officer names from "Vice President" to "President-Elect"
 - b. Revision of and Additions to the State Bylaws

- c. Looking into keeping UCF as a permanent Fall Conference Location
- VI. Treasurer, Melissa Roeder
 - a. Budget Overview
- VII. Secretary, Kristen Lichtenthal
 - a. Restatement of Goals
 - i. Increased and improved communication
 - ii. New Website Overview
- VIII. Parliamentarian, Andrew Lopez
 - a. Bylaw Revisions Overview
- IX. Advocacy Chair, Chelsea Brinda
 - a. UF won the Community Involvement Award (from 2014)
 - i. Donated \$1,200 to the Give A Note Foundation
 - b. Encouragement for chapters to send information about their activities to the Secretary or Advocacy Chair
 - c. The Community Involvement Award was not given this year, due to lack of interest.
 - d. A monthly newsletter is in the works, but it will require the input of all chapters
 - e. News announcement: The Florida Teacher Fair Pay Act, proposed by Senator
 - i. Would make the minimum pay for starting teachers \$50,000
 - ii. Encouraging chapters to take action to speak out for the passing of the Act
 - 1. Letters to Senators, Emails, Group Letters
 - iii. The USA has a Republican majority
 - 1. May reflect a decrease in funding for Education and Music Education
 - iv. Michael Keogh: It is important to stay aware of changes to Florida's legislature, since we are now at the age where it can affect us.
- X. Membership Chair, Kristina Benson
 - a. Stressing the importance of keeping updated records and contact lists.
 - b. Michael Keogh: Remember to balance your chapter meetings between business and events with educational value
- XI. New Business
 - a. Parliamentarian
 - i. Presentation of proposed Bylaw Additions
- XII. Meeting Adjourned at 6:15pm by Marissa Kotzin