

Alumnae Association of Mills College
Board of Governors Meeting
February 14, 2018
6:00 – 9:00 pm
Reinhardt Alumnae House

I. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

President Viji Nakka – Cammauf called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. There were 10 members in attendance and three who participated by phone.

Those in attendance and constituting a quorum were:

President: Viji Nakka – Cammauf

Vice-President: Marina Simenstad

Treasurer: Tara Singh (via phone)

Board Members: Dawn Cunningham, Gloria Fangon-Hitz, Adrienne Foster, Kirstyne Lange (via phone), Pierre Loving, Alexa Pagonas, Lucy Seereiter, Linda Stingily(via Phone), Lenore Tate, Susan Thomas

Alumna Trustee: Yvonne Daniel, Susan Ardisson

Absent: Governors Dorothy Lawrence and Lynette Castille-Hall, Student governor Cindy Castillo

President Beth Hillman was invited to give a presentation at the Meeting.

II. COLLEGE ADMINISTRATION REPORT

President Hillman discussed four main items in her report to the board. 1) State of the College and in particular the three year plan for a balance budget. 2) The Tuition reset. 3) Recap of her two years at Mills and 4) Dreams for the future. Discussed under Dreams for the future were the signature undergraduate experience MPOWER and the development of online degree programs in the School of Education.

III. KEY MOTIONS AND VOTES

President Nakka-Cammauf moved to approve the meeting's agenda. The motion was seconded and carried.

President Nakka-Cammauf also moved to approve the minutes of the December 6th Board of Governors meeting. The motion was seconded and carried.

Governor Singh presented the treasurer's report. It was again noted that some new committees did not submit budgets and so were not represented in the report. The hows and wherefores of

budgets of the new committees and the format of the treasurer's report made for a lively discussion.

A motion was made to approve the treasurer's report as submitted. The motion was seconded and carried.

Governor Loving requested a conference call meeting with the full board on Thursday the 22nd of March to discuss and vote on a proposal concerning a matter with the RAH committee, (more on this below under committee updates). There was a motion to approve of the extra meeting, it was seconded and carried.

Governor Foster proposed that starting next year the board of governors meetings will commence at 6 pm instead of 6:30. It was so moved, seconded and carried.

IV. PRESIDENT'S REPORTS

President Nakka-Cammauf discussed the Memorandum of Collaboration, (M.O.C.) and the things that have taken effect since the signing. The line of credit to the college that was just lately approved by the Board of Governors was discussed as well. She also requested Governor participation for the following college events; the Pearl M dinner on Wednesday the 28th of March, the Phenomenal Women of Color event on the 18th of April and the admitted students wine and cheese event which is either on the 6th or the 7th of April.

The term Regional Representatives was brought up and after a definition was provided, it was determined that its functionality is handled in Alumnae Branches under the umbrella of the BOG committee bearing that name.

It was also noted that Vice President for Institutional Advancement Jeff Jackanicz is setting up a day of training for Admission Representatives and that responsibility for Admission Representatives will fall under the new Volunteer Committee.

V. COMMITTEES MEMBERSHIP/PROJECTS-UPDATES

RAH: Chair Loving wants funding to remodel the kitchen of RAH. To do this she wants to donate 15K to the college stipulating the RAH Kitchen project remodel. She will meet with the RAH committee to work out the kinks and come up with a proposal to be presented at the special meeting. That action on that special meeting mentioned above.

FUNDRAISING: Chair Cunningham proposed a targeted appeal from AAMC; calling it focused fundraising. She is developing a survey of AAMC governors on volunteer needs. She added a Call for Volunteers page to AAMC web site.

PEOPLEGROVE: Chair Cunningham says the implementation of PEOPLEGROVE is progressing. She is currently looking for a part-time project manager and is looking forward to having a kick off meeting with the developers of PEOPLEGROVE.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE UPDATES: Chair Pagonas reported that there were three submissions for Alumnae Trustee, none as yet for Board of Governor. She requested one more governor to serve as backup on the committee. Yvonne Daniel volunteered to serve as backup.

VI. UPCOMING EVENTS NEEDING BOG PARTICIPATION

President Nakka-Cammauf mentioned that there was a request from a Mills Professor of Biology for Alumni families to host students during a summer research project commencing the 14th of May.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was seconded and carried at 9:26 pm.

Submitted by **Lucy Seereiter**
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