

RTDNA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

June 15, 2024, 9 a.m. Central Milwaukee, Wisconsin / Zoom

Attendees: Sheryl Worsley, Misty Montano, Alisha McDevitt, Alex Silverman, Tim Scheld, Lynn Hatter, Vince Duffy, Kim Wilhelm, Robert Thomas, Monika Diaz, Stephanie Bertini, Jennifer Seelig, Colin Benedict, Jennifer Seelig, Galean Stewart and Sherri Jackson; staff Dan Shelley, Tara Puckey

WELCOME & CALL TO ORDER

Worsley called the meeting to order and spoke briefly about things coming up in the year ahead: future-proofing the organization for what's to come, committee work and governance considerations. She reminded the board to stay engaged, especially with a smaller group.

She announced that Kathy Walker has decided to step down as longtime treasurer of the RTDNA Foundation and thanked her for all her hard work to support the organization in so many ways. The group gave a hearty round of applause and many noted that Walker will still be present in RTDNA efforts.

RTDNA FOUNDATION APPOINTMENTS

Since Walker is not seeking reappointment, **Duffy nominated Jennifer Seelig for the role and was seconded by Silverman. The motion was unanimous and passed.**

The group was reminded that Terence Shepherd's term has ended as Trustee of the RTDNA Foundation and Hatter automatically moves into the Vice Chair position.

Benedict nominated Robert Thomas as a Foundation trustee and was seconded by McDevitt. The motion passed unanimously.

AWARDS BRAINSTORMING

The group brainstormed potential award recipients for the coming year and Puckey noted that she'll follow up with a mechanism to reduce the pool and aid in earlier selections than in prior years.

REPORTING

Shelley presented a short advocacy report and Puckey provided a few updates on the conference, both noting no significant changes since the group last met four days prior. Benedict did not offer a report.

FOUNDATION MEETING

Silverman moved and was seconded by Thomas to move from the Association meeting to the Foundation meeting. Motion passed without opposition.

During the meeting, the group again thanked Walker for her service and congratulated Seelig. Scheld shared desire to revisit the mentorship possibilities for future conferences with scholarship and fellowship students and expressed a desire to showcase student work more at the conference. There was no old or new business brought before the group.

Montano motioned, Thomas seconded, to move back from the Foundation to the Association. No opposition and the motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

There was no old or new business brought before the group, though a question was asked about the RTDNA26 location. Puckey shared that it has not ben sourced yet and staff would start exploring options shortly after their return to the office.

ADJOURNMENT

Duffy moved to adjourn and was seconded by Hatter. It was unanimously adjourned at 10:57 a.m. Central.