

August 7, 2020 EC Meeting Minutes

**FINAL**

## **Minutes**

National Communication Association  
Executive Committee Meeting  
Virtual Meeting

Participating in the meeting:

Kent Ono, President; David McMahan, First Vice President; Roseann Mandziuk, Second Vice President; Star Muir, Immediate Past President; J. Kevin Barge, Publications Council Chair; Charles Morris III, Research Council Chair; Rachel Alicia Griffin, Diversity Council Chair; Raymie McKerrow, Finance Committee Chair; Lisa Flores, Finance Committee Director; Jeanetta Sims, Finance Committee Director; Trevor Parry-Giles, Executive Director (non-voting); Shannon VanHorn, Teaching and Learning Council Chair; *National Office Staff: LaKesha Anders, Director of Academic and Professional Affairs; Justin Danowski, Assistant Director of Governance and Membership; Wendy Fernando, Director of External Affairs and Publications, Kristin Yednock, Assistant Director of Conventions and Meetings.*

### **1. Call to Order**

President Ono called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. Eastern time.

### **2. Announcements and Updates**

The officers, committee chairs, and other EC members gave updates on current activities with their current processes and duties.

### **3. Consent Agenda**

- a. Ono provided a summary of the consent agenda. Consent agenda passed.

### **4. Business Items**

- a. Convention 2020 update
  - i. Parry-Giles provided an update of the current status of the 2020 convention. Discussion ensued.
    1. *Motion made by McKerrow to suspend the onsite portion of the convention and tasked the National Office with negotiating any financial ramifications with the hotel and convention center. Seconded by VanHorn. Discussion continued. Motion Carried.*
  - ii. Ono provided an update on discussions between NCA officers on virtual sessions. Discussion ensued on
- b. Convention 2021 budget
  - i. Parry-Giles provided an update on the 2021 budget proposal.
    1. *McKerrow relayed the approval of the Finance Committee and made a motion on behalf of the committee to approve the 2019 audit, 2021 convention fees, and to forward the 2021 budget to the Legislative Assembly for final approval. Discussion ensued. Motion carried.*
- c. Proposal for the Establishment of an Indigenous Caucus

- i. Ono provided an update on the proposal for an Indigenous Caucus and discussed the value of the proposed caucus. Discussion ensued.
      - 1. *By unanimous decision, the proposal was approved and forwarded to the Legislative Assembly for final approval.*
  - d. Proposal for an NCA Marsha Houston Award
    - i. Mandziuk provided an update on the proposed formation of the NCA Marsha Houston Award.
      - 1. *A motion was made to approve the award. Discussion ensued. Motion carried.*
  - e. Proposal for Affiliate Statue—Association of University Presses
    - i. Parry-Giles provided background on the proposal.
      - 1. *A motion was made to approve the affiliate and forward to the Legislative Assembly for final approval. Motion carried.*
  - f. Proposal—Renaming/Repurposing First Amendment Studies
    - i. Barge provided background for the current journal and how to move the journal forward.
      - 1. *A motion was made by Barge on behalf of the Publications Council to modify the current aims and scope into the call for editor applications to be issued this fall and transitioning to a new name/expanded scope at the beginning of 2023, under new editor who will be selected in 2021. Discussion ensued.*
        - a. *A motion was made by One to table First Amendment Studies for one year. Discussion continued. Motion failed for lack of a second.*
      - 2. Discussion continued. Barge withdraws the motion and will consult the current editor, other NCA journal editors, and contributors to the journal for feedback on the future of the journal.
- 5. Discussion items
  - a. Ono asked for the mentorship taskforce report to be tabled and discussed at the November EC meeting. Discussion ensued.

The Executive Committee moved into Executive Session to discuss the Executive Director review.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Trevor Parry-Giles