

AzHOSA Advisory Board Emergency Meeting

March 14th, 2020

1100 to 1300

An emergency meeting of the AzHOSA Advisory BOD was called to order at 1100 on 3/14/2020 via Google Hangouts.

Present

Elizabeth Carnesi, State Advisor

Sharon Black, Vice President

Aden Ramirez, Health Career Specialist

Sandra Oligny, Treasurer

Hailey Adams, Secretary

John Vreyens, Member

Dina Chavez, AZHCEA President

Julie Ellis, CTSO Team Lead

Justin Lisonbee, Member

Katy Becker, President

Summary of Discussion

-Elizabeth Carnesi informed BOD that other state organizations have moved to cancel the State Conference, Florida, while other organizations have moved to offer the conference online, or on another platform, Nevada.

-Elizabeth wants to come up with a contingency plan in case SLC does get canceled.

-Sine many of the BOD members are advisors at different school districts Elizabeth wanted to see where each district stood on SLC, travel and student activities:

-EVIT- School is open and no current plan to not attend SLC

-Dysart- All upcoming student travel has been canceled

-Saddle Mountain- Will follow any recommendations CDC announces

-Chino Valley- Moving forward with attending SLC

-West-MEC- School is on spring break but no reports of canceling travel have been announced

-Elizabeth wants to ensure HOSA has a plan in the event SLC gets canceled. The following are some idea's she has composed to allow for SLC to continue using a virtual platform.

- Students will be able to attend SLC using online resources from the safety of their home or school.

- Students will record and submit a video of hands on skills.

- Students will submit photos of any posters or presentation boards.

- Competitions such as Biomedical Debate and/ or HOSA Bowl may need to default back to OLT results or conduct a competition using Google Hangout or Zoom.

- Elizabeth has set a goal of Friday to make an official decision on SLC cancelation.

- Julie Ellis, as CTSO team lead, informed members that DECA has canceled their conference, NBPA has canceled their conference and it is possible that many others will follow. Julie expressed additional concern that not all schools may be able to attend SLC if held as a physical conference or a virtual conference. PIMA JTED for instance will not send any students to conferences. Since PIMA JTED hosts several competitions for other CTSO organizations (ie. Culinary Competition for SkillsUSA), the conference will not be able to move forward anyhow. Julie has a strong feeling that if FBLA (first to have a conference out of the CTSO's) cancels other CTSO's will follow. Lastly it is very likely that parents will not allow their student to attend.

-Julie raised a concern that if HOSA cancels the conference without Governor order or by the recommendation of the State Superintendent HOSA will have to pay Weston \$86,000. The fee will not be charged if the conference was postponed, only if canceled.

-Elizabeth spoke about plans to mail items (shirts and pins) if the conference is moved online. Refunds will be given to individuals that already paid for food etc. However no invoices have been sent. If the conference moves to virtual \$65.00 conference fee will remain to help cover the cost of supplies, shirts, pins and postage.

-Elizabeth will create a survey to send out to advisors in order to get feedback on if the conference was still scheduled- Would you attend? Would you attend if virtual? Would your district allow you to participate?- in order to gather information from across the state from multiple districts.

-Julie spoke on how some CTSO's, ie. FCCLA, are looking to have a one day competition contingency plan, where the conference and awards session would happen all on one day with no overnight stay.

-Julie clarified that in order to not have to pay Westin \$86,000 we would need an individual of authority, Doug Deucy or Kathy Hoffman, to draft a letter canceling events such as CTSO competitions. This allows emergency clauses in contracts to take place so cancelation fees are not charged.

-If SLC does get canceled it is important that the competition process be equal for all participants regardless of location in the state, that would make it difficult if we moved forward having any in person skills. Recommendation was made to have both options, physical on site skills demonstration for those that can attend and online options for those who cannot.

-Elizabeth will have a decision by Friday March 20th in order to share with all state advisors.

Motion made by Elizabeth Carnesi to adjourn the meeting at 1141, seconded by John Vreyens. Meeting adjourned at 1141.

Tentative BOD Meeting scheduled for March 20th, 2020. Time TBD.

Hailey Adams, BS, CVT

Hailey Adams, Secretary

Approved