

AzHOSA Advisory Board Emergency Meeting

March 27th, 2020

1000 to 1100

An emergency meeting of the AzHOSA Advisory BOD was called to order at 1001 on 3/27/2020 via Zoom.

Present

Elizabeth Carnesi, State Advisor

Sharon Black, Vice President

Aden Ramirez, Health Career Specialist

Sandra Oligny, Treasurer

Hailey Adams, Secretary

John Vreyens, Member

Julie Ellis, CTSO Team Lead

Justin Lisonbee, Member

Katy Becker, President

Melody Vargas, Member

Jane Shovlin, Consulting on Parliamentary Procedure, Former State Advisor

Emily Hakes, State President

Summary of Discussion

-Elizabeth called an emergency meeting in order to discuss the elections and bylaw votes that normally occur at SLC during the annual business meeting. Since SLC has been canceled for this year BOD need to decide on how to proceed. Elizabeth invited past State HOSA Advisor and Parliamentarian Jane Shovelin to assist with the meeting and amendments to bylaws.

- Jane informed the BOD that as a BOD we are able to amend the bylaws of the organization without the need for ratification from student members.

Vote on Bylaw Amendment:

Article VIII, Section 1a currently has no language that allows for an electronic annual business meeting, proposed amendment addition reads:

In case of emergency, the annual meeting may be held electronically without regard to the timing of the National HOSA Conference. The state advisor, in consultation with the board of directors, may call an electronic state conference.

Members voted to approve the amendment addition, 8 votes in favor, no opposed, the amendment addition passed with unanimous consent.

Discussion Cont.

-Elizabeth expressed concern to the BOD in regards to meeting the quorum necessary to elect a new state officer team via online platform for voting.

-Elizabeth informed the BOD of the current rules allowing for 2 voting delegates per chapter, that would have been present had SLC taken place, current totals are as follows: 66 chapters have registered voting delegates totalling 132 delegates, eligible chapters to register voting delegates are 209 which should give a total of 418 delegates. In order to hold a business meeting and an election a quorum must be met which would be half, plus one, of eligible delegates equaling 210 delegates. Elizabeth has given advisors a deadline of April 10th, 2020 to submit voting delegates.

-Current candidate pool for state officers is 13 students, down from 26 initial applicants, 22 interviews and 15 slated, where two candidates declined to run. Full officer team consists of 9 total members.

-In reviewing the bylaws it states that current officers must stay in place until a new team is elected.

-Elizabeth is working with slated candidates in order to prepare a pre-recorded speech, a virtual meet the candidate poster using Canva, biographies, and resume for delegates to review online prior to voting online. All required material for slated candidates is due to Elizabeth by Monday March 30th.

-Sandi Oligny made the recommendation to have a wufoo form that delegates can ask candidates questions, similar to how the question and answer session held at SLC.

-Recommendation was made by Julie Ellis to have all slated officer candidates move forward and be offered a position. Allow for more chapter visits, with less strain on student and school attendance.

-State Presiden Emily Hakes voiced her concern over electing all candidates. Thinks the campaign is an important part of the process, as well as an opportunity for the student to grow as a leader and the student members are given an opportunity to identify the best leader out of the candidates. By keeping the elections as is it helps keep everything as close to normal in these trying times.

-Recommendation was made by Katy Becker to move forward with the election as scheduled and if for some reason quorum is not met the decision can be made at that time to move forward with electing all the candidates to the state officer team.

- Elizabeth had the idea to use a facebook live announcement where current state officers will announce their successors to office.

- Julie had a question on how HOSA is determining when and which chapters have the ability to register voting delegates. Is the number based off of the original SLC deadline date, or the deadline date for a virtual conference that was canceled before the deadline came?

- After discussion it was determined by the board that the voting delegate counts will be based off of chapters that had registered for the original March 6th SLC deadline, prior to discussion of virtual conference and thus cancelation.

-Elizabeth's goal is to have elections still be held on Friday April 17th, the same day the meeting would have occurred if SLC was not canceled.

Vote on Bylaw Proviso of Article 8:

In order to curb the lower than normal voting delegate numbers a Proviso is being recommended for Article 8, section 1b reading:

The quorum of 50% be suspended and the quorum be one third of registered delegates in the case of emergency and an electronic state conference. Proviso 5/15/2020.

Due to several members of the BOD having to exit the meeting official voting for the Proviso will take place over email. Elizabeth Carnesi and Jane Shovlin will work to update bylaws with amendments and Proviso (once approved) and send out to BOD for review.

Meeting adjourned at 1125.

Next BOC Meeting May 2nd, 2020.

Hailey Adams, BS, CVT

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Approved