



Approved Minutes

New Foundation Board Meeting NIRSA Annual Conference & Recreational Sports Expo Friday, April 4, 2008; 8:00-10:00 am, CST Austin, Texas; Hilton Rm. 602

MISSION STATEMENT: The NIRSA Foundation is a not-for-profit organization committed to education, research and scholarship in the field of recreational sports. The NIRSA Foundation supports the mission of the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association.

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Key: NNC=NIRSA National Center; BOD=Board of Directors; "Bold"=Motion; "Italics"=Follow-up Action Item; "Exhibit"=contact the NIRSA National Center (NNC) or NIRSA Foundation Board member for a copy of the "Exhibit."

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:06 am, CST.

II. Roll Call

Chair (2008-2009)	Beau Rugg
Member (2007-2010)	Eric Stoutner
Member (2006-2009)	Bill Crockett
Member (2006-2009)	Mark Fletcher
Member (2007-2010)	Suzi Smith
Member at Large (2008-2009)	Vicki Highstreet (absent & excused)
Member (2008-2011)	Loretta Capra
Member (2008-2011)	Steve Young
Member/Secretary & Treasurer	Kent Blumenthal
NNC Team	Karen Bach
	Pam Watts
	Monica Nelson
Guests	Bob Golson

III. Selection of Chair

Motion: Fletcher/Capra. Nominate Beau Rugg for the position of Foundation Board Chair for 2008-2009. No other nominations. Passed, with one abstention (Rugg).

The Board acknowledged Rugg as Chair for 2008-2009.

IV. Board Structure and Plan

- **Proposed Summer Meeting**

Excerpt from March 19, 2008 teleconference meeting minutes:

Rugg proposed that the new 2008-2009 Board agree to hold a face-to-face meeting in early summer 2008. From a financial standpoint, Rugg reported that he has had a discussion with a corporate entity, which agreed to fund the costs for this meeting. More details on this will be provided at the April 3, 2008 meeting. ... The Board agreed that another face-to-face meeting is necessary and appropriate.

Action: Board members will consult their individual calendars for summer 2008 and will discuss tentative meeting dates during the April 4, 2008 New Board Meeting.

Rugg reported that he has secured funding from Matrix Fitness for the costs of holding this additional Board meeting. Along with that funding, and the opportunity for some Board members to fund their own travel or through their University, this should be a budget-neutral event.

Fletcher requested that the Board require that the NIRSA President and Executive Director be present at this meeting. Rugg agreed that their presence would be very beneficial, but knowing the commitments these directors already have, the Board would need to be sensitive to their ability to attend.

Reported time conflicts were as follows:

- Crockett: opening new recreation facility June 18-July 8
- Young: attending IM symposium June 11-13
- Smith: June 11-13
- Blumenthal/Bach/Nelson: NIRSA Summer Board & Student Leadership meetings at NNC June 16-21

The Board concluded that the best meeting dates would be in late July, for a two to two-and-a-half day meeting. Proposed locations included the Ohio State University and the University of Virginia at Charlottesville.

Action: In the week following conference, Nelson/Rugg will communicate with the Board regarding the dates already off the table due to prior commitments. Nelson/Rugg will set up Meeting Wizard online to see if a date can be concluded.

Action: Matrix Fitness will be recognized for this important contribution to the Foundation.

V. Teleconference Schedule

The Board agreed that Wednesdays at noon (CST) were an acceptable time for meetings during the past year, and would continue to be convenient.

Action: Rugg will send a proposed teleconference schedule to the Board and NNC staff for approval.

VI. \$1 Million Milestone Campaign Update

Nelson/Rugg reported that looking at all the pledged contributions, the Golf tournament proceeds, and the proceeds from the Auction, the Foundation should be just over the \$1 Million Milestone.

Action: Board members will make announcements about the status of the campaign at their regional meetings and at the Annual Business Meeting.

- **Fiscal Structure**

The Board had previously spoken about removing the Golf Tournament from consideration in the Foundation financials and looking at operating within the investment income. The main goal is to simplify the spreadsheet to most accurately demonstrate the status of the Foundation.

Action: Watts/Rugg will move forward on rearranging the financial statements and will present to the board at the summer meeting.

VII. Old Business

Motion: Crockett/Smith. Move into Executive Session. Passed unanimously.

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VIII. New Business

- **Foundation Sponsorship Policy (new IRS Guideline)**

Blumenthal reported that the IRS has adopted new guidelines for 501(c)(3) organizations, and after a review of the guidelines NIRSA felt there was a gap in their own policy. After

working with legal council, new guidelines and policies have been developed. It is recommended that the NIRSA Foundation take the next step to also adopt a sponsorship policy.

Action: Blumenthal will prepare a document for the Foundation Board to review at their Summer meeting.

- National School of Recreational Sports Management (NSRSM) Sponsorship Proposal

Blumenthal reported that a request for \$1,800 was presented to the NIRSA Board for a speaker for the NSRSM this June. The request was denied unanimously and the budget is already set for this year. Kent asked that the FBOD consider a one time grant.

Motion: Crockett/Blumenthal. Provide an \$1,800 grant to enhance the 2008 National School of Recreational Sports Management. Passed unanimously.

- Presidents Endowment Update

It was reported that the Presidents Endowment has hit the minimum starting amount of \$10,000.

- Consideration of threshold vs. spending for scholarships – discussion to follow.
- Possible addition of another professional scholarship with the \$1 million achievement – discussion to follow.

IX. Adjournment

Motion: Smith/Capra. Adjourn the meeting at 10:30 am (CST). Passed unanimously.