**VASFAA Board Meeting-Conference Call**

**Wednesday, March 10, 2021**

Attendees: Sherika Charity, Scott Morrison, Beth Armstrong, Dominique Maddux-Jackson, Joe Dobrota, Brad Scaggs, Marc Vernon, Laurie Owens

Board meeting called to order at 1:04 pm by President, Sherika Charity

A quorum was established at this time.

Joe suggested two options in regards to the Buddy award: Option 1 don’t have one. Option 2 changing the deadline in manual

Brad suggested a deadline of April 1

Joe made a motion to override the policy procedure bi-law deadline to have Buddy deadline be for 20-21 year be April 1, 2021

Brad seconds this motion.

All were in favor, none oppose.

Marc said he heard back from Jenee about the virtual conference and that the vendor sponsor level on average is between $300 and $500 max. Asked that VASFAA not spend more than $500 per vendor.

Brad asked if there were required refunds to last year’s vendors and how would it impact the budget?

Marc said that we could offer to roll it forward to 2022.

Sherika asked if there were other things we can do or offer those vendors so that we wouldn’t have to give refunds.

Scott suggested a lunch and learn sessions or break out session (vendor sponsor option)?

Beth suggested that we ask all the directors to make the commitment of visiting every vendor table or doing a round table for at least 1hr or 1.5hrs

Scott suggested that maybe we push it (the conference) back to the May 17-20 range

Brad was not in favor of a free conference initially but later changed his mind after discussion of vendor support and costs. Also suggested that we needed to decide on date soon in order to advertise and generate interest

Sherika propose that we make the conference from May 17th-20th and asked that the info be relayed to the conference committee. We will need to get info on what it would look like if we have refunds in regards to budget and that we will meet again after conference committee has met.

Brad said that Lisa Franks has agreed to volunteer for treasurer-elect. Will open voting 2 weeks before conference. Should he go ahead and move forward with ordering plaques?

Sherika informed Brad that he should move forward with ordering plaques.

Meeting adjourned at 1:43pm