

**JSSS Board Meeting Minutes, September 9, 2022**  
**Zoom meeting**

Attendance: Evi V., Heather T.-Z., Luke H., Susan W., Robert M., Inez M., Petra O., Dennis P., Cynthia C., Susan R., Greg R., Matthew F., Sharon P., Lisa P., Sukey F.

Absent: Alex F., Peter D., Elizabeth N., Khrystine K.

**Agenda:**

1. Minutes of the Board meeting, 9/9/22.

Minutes moved and approved as is.

2. Resignation of Kate Ladd.

Kate Ladd resigned and was acknowledged for her efforts.

3. Introduction of Jessica Fink as an acting IT Coordinator.

Introduction of Jessica Fink as an acting IT coordinator. She has impressive credentials, and people expressed their positive experiences of working with Jessica. She will join relevant board meetings.

4. Update on the 2023 conference location and theme.

A location scouting team is looking into New Orleans, Asheville, and Mexico. The latter 2 sites are still under consideration along with any theme amendment. The themes are Jung, Science, and the Numinous if Asheville (Aug. 3–6) and Jung Beyond Borders if Mexico (Aug 3–6).

New conference dates need to be considered to allow Pacifica students to attend. It is necessary to avoid the first weeks of July and August. The first week of August, however, is good timing for the Mexico location as the local students will be present. Weather wise, August is not a good time for any location due to heat.

5. Subcommittees: Diversity Statement, Diversity Fund, Environmental Impact, and Information Technology.
  - a. Diversity statement from Cynthia will be resent to committee and revised;
  - b. Diversity subcommittee for conference grants/funding will be formed;
  - c. Ecological impact statement: Luke and Heather will collaborate with Inez and resubmit the statement to the Board.

6. Date for the next Board Café (October, December).

Board Café will take place in October and perhaps early December. Evi will send out an invite.

7. Position paper and proposals in response to the letter of Rebecca Pottenger.

Evi presented Pottenger's disagreement with the Board's not being voted on at the conference. According to article 6, section 2, there was no violation. Pottenger's letter regarding the process of the

Board led to a review made by Inez, Matthew, Evi, and Luke with a response by the Board regarding the history. All relevant documentation will be attached. The Board was found to be diverse with a tendency toward female leadership, yet the spirit of Rebecca's letter will be honored with a position paper to be sent to Rebecca.

There are a number of proposals in response to Pottenger's letter to the JSSS Board. The proposals are as follows:

- **Proposal 1.** Amend the Bylaws so that Board members are voted into office by the general membership during the annual general membership meeting when there is a quorum at the meeting of the General Membership, that is, as specified in Article VII, when one third of the current membership is attending the meeting.
  - a. This proposed amendment creates the opportunity for the general membership to determine the composition of the Board of Directors.
  - b. The quorum of the general membership shall remain as per the current Bylaws.<sup>1</sup>
  - c. The proposed text:

ARTICLE VI. Section 2. Candidates for Office

Every three years the President shall present a single slate of candidates for each office at the annual general membership meeting. Board Directors and general members may offer further nominations during the annual meeting and need not present an entire slate. The nominees shall be voted upon by the general members during the annual meeting as long as the requirement in Article VII of a quorum of one-third of the current membership is present. In the absence of a quorum, as specified in Article VII, decisions as to how to proceed will be left to the discretion of the Board of Directors.

Proposal 1 passed unanimously.

**Proposal 2.** Starting from the next annual conference, the nominations to the Board of Directors must take place as per the Bylaws during the general membership meeting, and the general meeting must precede the annual Board meeting.

Proposal 2 passed unanimously.

**Proposal 3.** The Board leadership will ensure and facilitate the nomination and voting process according to the Bylaws.

Proposal 3 passed unanimously.

**Proposal 4.** The President will send a response letter to Pottenger detailing the analysis of the situation and the previous and subsequently mentioned actions.

Proposal 4 passed unanimously.

**Proposal 5.** The President will send an email to JSSS members stating the oversight of the nomination procedure at the 2022 conference. Although the 2022 election was valid, in the spirit of righting the

nomination oversight, the four Board positions will be re-opened for nomination (to include any other **qualified**<sup>2</sup> nominees) and voted on at the general membership meeting in 2023. Should the 2022 officers remain, their time served will not restart. The 3-year term for any newly elected officers begins on election.

The letter that the President sends will include the note that this is an exceptional accommodation that does not set precedent. The clarification was made that the Board Members will continue for 2 additional years.

The revised Proposal 5 was put to a vote with 11 for and 2 against.

8. AOB Previously Notified (2022 JSSS Treasurer's report).

Treasurer's report. Greg reported that the report is self-explanatory. JSSS has over \$35,000 total in the bank.

Insurance for the organization is a challenge, with a choice between a lot of money from a major carrier or a less expensive online option that is not responsive. We need event liability insurance for the conference.

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<sup>1</sup> ARTICLE VII. GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS. Section 3. Quorum. One-third of current membership shall constitute a quorum of the general membership. Should, however, no quorum be achieved, a **quorum** of the Board may either a) postpone determining the issues submitted to the general membership for a vote until a quorum can be achieved, or b) at its discretion, decide those issues.

<sup>2</sup> ARTICLE VIII. BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Section 4. Qualifications

All Directors, with the exception of any Members at Large who are students, shall possess 1) a PhD; or 2) an MA or MS together with a peer-reviewed publication of a book of Jungian scholarship; or 3) shall be an analyst or practicing therapist; or 4) shall be nominated by two Directors in order to stand for election.

Section 5. Student Member(s) at Large

Three Members at Large may be graduate students accepted either at a Jungian institute of study or in an accredited PhD program. Nominees for these positions must receive two nominations from the floor and must be endorsed by at least one Board Director in order to stand for election.