



## ACA National Council of Leaders Meeting Notes

Friday, January 17, 2014, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., EST, via webinar

### Desired Meeting Outcomes

- NCOL members come together as a working body, representing their Local Councils and Boards
- Receive information that helps NCOL members prepare to meaningfully participate in the February meeting
- Have ample opportunities to shape the February meeting through suggestions, questions and other feedback

**Welcome and Tour of Virtual Room:** Kurt Podeszwa, Chair of the NCOL and National Board Member, welcomed the group and introduced staff member, Kim Brosnan. Kim demonstrated the features in the virtual meeting room.

**Logistics overview, February meeting:** Jude Bevan, Steering Committee member, reviewed the on-site logistics for the NCOL Meeting scheduled in Orlando. She shared the following bullets:

- Wednesday, February 5, 2013, 8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Hilton Orlando
  - Breakfast available at 8 a.m. and box lunches available at Noon
- Two representatives from each local office (this includes two representatives, or one representative and your designated alternate)
- Many National Board members will participate
- Notification to ACA regarding who is participating (via subsequent e-mail)

**Designing and Planning for February Meeting Experience:** Podeszwa turned the attention to the draft agenda, which was shared as an attachment in the virtual room. Representatives shared feedback by using the chat (see log) as well as verbal comments. While participants affirmed what was on the agenda, diversity was a topic that was raised. Podeszwa agreed to review and work in diversity conversations. He then reviewed expectations of representatives prior to the meeting as well as during and after:

- Connect with respective local councils and boards regarding:
  - Emerging issues facing local area
  - Emerging societal issues impacting youth and the camp experience
  - Review of questions, issues and opportunities local leaders shared relative to accreditation volunteer issues and visit cycles – be prepared to discuss from the perspective of your area/region
- Review materials posted on the NCOL homepage, prior to the meeting
- Plan to share information, links, experience, etc., with local leadership after the in-person meeting

**Closing:** Podeszwa called for any final questions and wished the group safe travels to Orlando.

### Chat Log:

Amy Katzenberger: The draft agenda for February will be posted after the meeting. on the NCOL home page

Pam Wurster: This is Tish I am on with Pam

Amy Katzenberger: Welome, Tish!

Kurt Podeszwa: Welcome Tish!

Pam Wurster: Glad to be here! Tish (not Pam )

Pam Wurster: Pam's glad to be here too.

Brian Crater: Thanks Kurt.. My honor to serve.

Amy Katzenberger: Lake Mizell is a meeting room on the registration level of the hotel

Scott Lantzman: will there be specifics you are looking for from these affiliate updates?

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Tish: Kim- I'm on my own computer now

Amy Katzenberger: Hi Scott! I will ask Kurt and Tish to follow up with you after - regarding specifics

Scott Lantzman: thx

Sylvia Dresser: it would be good for all of the affiliates to hear this!

Tish: thanks Sylvia, will make sure that happens

Tina LaRoche: add'l topic: ACA Nat PR/Mktg, messaging, integrated social media efforts?

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cliff clauer: I have had several members in the state concerned with the lack of diversity still in our industry. We need to continue to address this issue nationally.

Amy Katzenberger: Thanks, Kurt!

cliff clauer: Can we also have some discussion on ways field offices are improving communications and professional development along with setting specific responsibilities for our field execs? Still confusion over the supervision of exec.

cliff clauer: yes you did

Pam Wurster: I agree with Cliff

Tish: Diversity has been a board topic, at the last meeting we spent time and completed a Diversity and Inclusion Index that we will review the results of at our April meeting to inform our plan around diversity and inclusion

cliff clauer: thanks Tish I will spread the word

Willard Burks: will there be feedback or movement on the accred. issue around going to the 5 year model at the Feb meeting?

Willard Burks: thanks Jude

Mark: Along the lines that Cliff brought up, our LCOL is interested in initiatives that some of the smaller field offices have put in place to partner with other field offices that are geographically nearby, improving the value for members and helping recruit new members

cliff clauer: There was some discussion this fall about looking at ways ACA could lend a hand to camps trying to recover from disasters. Has there been any movement on this?

Mark: Thanks Kurt

cliff clauer: thanks

Shanelle: who do we email to let you know who will be in attendance at the meeting in February?

Shanelle: great. thank you!

Scott Lantzman: see you in 3 weeks!

Tim Nowak: Thanks for guiding us! See you in February.

Jude: See you in Florida.....safe travels

Tish: See you all soon thanks for your work!

Kurt Podeszwa: Thanks everyone!

Jude: Thank you Kurt, Amy, Tish and Kim