

## International ACAC General Membership Meeting Thursday, September 26, 2024 2024 NACAC Conference in Los Angeles, California, USA

# MINUTES PENDING APPROVAL

- 1. Meeting called to order by President Wilson Lee at 6:16 PM.
- 2. Establish quorum: The number of voting members in attendance exceeds the minimum required for a quorum. **Quorum established.**
- 3. **Motion:** Approve Meeting Minutes from last <u>General Membership meeting at the International</u> <u>ACAC Conference, July 10, 2024</u>, from President Wilson Lee. *Motion Approved.*
- 4. Presentation of the 2024 NACAC Rising Star Award to Baman Ghimire.
- 5. Vice President Report: Ruby Bhattacharya, Vice President for Admissions Practices
  - a. NACAC Guide to Ethical Practice in College Admission: There is a new, reformatted version on its way.
  - b. The Financial Aid Forms for 2024-25 have been updated and posted on the International ACAC website.
- 6. Vice President Report: Daniel Marschner, Vice President for Advocacy and Outreach
  - a. Regional Institutes: Locations are being determined for the second half of 2025 in the Middle East & North Africa and Sub-Saharan Africa.
  - b. Gathering Grants will be available again starting in 2025.
- 7. Vice President Report: Erin Garcia, Executive Director, on behalf of Luke Devlin, Vice President for Communications
  - a. The organization just updated its website and membership management system.
  - b. Members need to create a new account to access their membership profile.
- 8. Vice President Report: Shilpa Gupta, Vice President for Finance
  - a. Proposed budget for 2025
  - b. We are hosting an increased number of Regional Institutes; therefore, we can anticipate increased costs.
  - c. The organization will continue to support the Scholar Program, Mentor Year Program, bursaries, and opportunity grants.
- 9. Vice President Report: Joyce Agyare, Vice President for Inclusion, Access & Success
  - a. The Committee aims to launch the Virtual Scholar Program.
  - b. 2025 Scholar Program
    - Nominations are currently open until October 15.
    - Applications will be open from October 1 to November 4.
- 10. Vice President Report: Andrew Palmer, Representative to the Executive Board, on behalf of Kim Tulloch Wynn, Vice President for Membership, and Craig Brown, Co-Vice President for Membership
  - a. Membership is seeing consistent annual growth.
  - b. Regional representation amongst members has stayed proportionally consistent since 2021.
- 11. **Vice President Report:** Liam McCartney, President-Elect, on behalf of Marsha Oshima, Vice President for Professional Development

- a. Webinars are ongoing and increasing in both number and size.
- b. The Pre-Conference Institute Director (volunteer) position is currently accepting applications.

#### 12. President-Elect Report: Liam McCartney

- a. The 2025 Conference at Northeastern University in Boston, Massachusetts, will take place from July 15-17, 2025.
- 13. President's Report: Wilson Lee
  - a. The organization is making strides to strengthen our relationship with NACAC.
  - b. This year, we will be exploring partnerships with revenue-generating opportunities.
  - c. The Board Restructuring bylaws change could improve our organization and bring forth a lot of positive change.
- 14. **Board Restructuring:** presented by Kristin Dreazen, Committee Chair, and Liam McCartney, member of the Ad-Hoc Committee on Board Restructuring
  - a. The proposal will go to a member vote in the first half of 2025.
  - b. The purpose of the proposal is to create a more agile Executive Board that is better suited to serve our diverse and international membership.
  - c. There will be deliberate and intentional regional representation, along with increased opportunities for leadership.

#### 15. Past President Report: Michelle Chow-Liu

- a. Governance and Nominating Committee (GNC) for 2024-25 has been established
- b. 2025 Executive Board Elections
  - Applications will open in December
  - Available Positions:
    - 1. President-Elect
      - 2. Vice President for Admissions Practices
    - 3. Vice President for Communications,
    - 4. Vice President for Finance
    - 5. Vice President for Professional Development
- c. 2026 Annual Conference: Carnegie Mellon University and the University of Pittsburgh in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA.
- d. 2027 Annual Conference: McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada.
- 16. Motion to adjourn the meeting by Kristin Dreazen. *Motion Passes.*
- 17. President Michelle Chow-Liu adjourned the meeting at 6:57 PM.

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Respectfully submitted, Jessica Bishop Administrative Coordinator September 27, 2024