PRESENT: EXCUSED:

Mr. Buddy Boe Dr. Rachel T. Davis-Haley

Ms. Leslie Bouie Ms. Judy Reese Morse

Ms. Anne Candies Mr. Christian Rhodes

Mr. James Carter

Mr. Wood Delahoussaye

Ms. Janice R. Manuel

Ms. Beth Scioneaux

Mr. Gary Solomon

Mr. Jefferson Turner

Mr. Carlos Zervigon

EX-OFFICIO:

Mr. Kyle Wedberg

COUNSEL:

Mr. Mark Beebe

CALL TO ORDER

Board President, Mr. Buddy Boe, called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The roll was taken. There were ten of thirteen members present. Quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Boe asked for a motion to approve the Board Meeting minutes of June 14, 2021. Ms. Leslie Bouie moved to approve the minutes of the NOCCA Board Meeting of June 14, 2021. Mr. Jefferson Turner seconded the motion. A roll call vote was completed. All were in favor. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION

Mr. Kyle Wedberg introduced the Sam Ray instillation that was currently hanging in the Kirschman Gallery to honor a former student who recently passed away. He also described the Google Survey recently completed to enable NOCCA to virtually share the campus with others. Mr. Blake Coheley, Director of Admissions, spearheaded the project and shared some video with the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Boe asked for public comment. There was none.

INTRODUCTIONS AND OPENING EXERCISES

Mr. Wedberg asked the Board to introduce themselves by sharing three items: 1) number of years associated with NOCCA, 2) what they uniquely bring to the Board, and 3) what they view as the greatest opportunities. Each member shared information about themselves and their insights for NOCCA.

LOOKING BACK

The NOCCA Vision, Mission, and Definition of Equity were read. The NOCCA DNA document was shared and described in relation to arts and academics. The NOCCA Strategic Plan was reviewed. Documents were reviewed including Act 525, NOCCA’s current establishing document which resulted from the revisit of the original document to include the Academic Studio; the current NOCCA Bylaws; and the NOCCA Administrative Leadership Team’s Bios.

LOOKING FORWARD

Mr. Coheley and Mr. Silas Cooper, Director of the Arts, provided an overview of the plans for workshops and summer programming. The virtual platform was identified as a tool for attaining greater outreach including students who have fallen through the cracks due to lack of resources and students living statewide.

Ms. Lotte Delaney, NOCCA CFO, provided an overview of the budget challenges with ideas for managing the budget internally to leverage NOCCA resources. Ms. Delaney described a “learning journey”, an information sharing and gathering session with Department Chairs that could merge department goals with available funds over time.

Ms. Maisha Joshua, Director of Human Resources, and Mr. Cooper updated the Board on the work of the eight members of the NOCCA Equity Core Team. The Team was able to meet formally during the last two months of school. A student survey was conducted at the end of the school year with Town Hall meetings. Some recommendations for the Administrative Leadership Team resulted from the survey and meetings. Work will continue to formalize foundational operations and increase the voice of all stakeholders.

BOARD ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Mr. Boe briefly described the role of the Board as an oversight and guiding agency with the responsibilities of hiring and evaluating the President/CEO, engaging with the campus, completing ethics training and related forms, and advocating for the campus. Assignment to various Board Committees was discussed.

BUSINESS MEETING

Mr. Wedberg provided a COVID update. NOCCA plans to provide all services on campus with a mask mandate in place.

The NOCCA Title IX plan was introduced with request to approve. Ms. Bouie made a motion to approve the NOCCA Title IX Plan. Mr. Gary Solomon seconded the motion. A roll call vote was held. All were in favor. Motion passed.

The Affiliation Agreement between NOCCA and the NOCCA Foundation was introduced for discussion and approval. This plan resulted from identified goals during both institutions’ 2017 Strategic Planning. Mr. Solomon made a motion to approve the Affiliation Agreement. Ms. Anne Candies seconded the motion. A roll call vote was held. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Ms. Candies made a motion to approve in globo Mr. Boe as Chair of the NOCCA Board and Mr. Christian Rhodes as Vice-Chair of the NOCCA Board. Ms. Bouie seconded the motion. A roll call vote was held. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Mr. Boe summarized the goals from the meeting to include assignments to Board Committees to focus on the items discussed today.

Ms. Candies made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Janice Manuel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was held. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

Submitted by: Reviewed by: Attest:

Leigh Traylor Kyle Wedberg Buddy Boe

Recording Secretary Secretary to the Board President of the Board

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_