# Association for Institutional Research Virtual Board of Directors Meeting January 9, 2023

**Attendees in Person:** Laura Palucki Blake, Karen Egypt, Jonathan Gagliardi, Maren Hess, Braden Hosch, Elizabeth Lee, Mitchell Nesler, Junelyn Peeples, Wen Qi, Karen Vance, Karen Webber

Absent: Christopher Peña (excused for teaching duties)

Guests: Christine Keller, Jason Lewis, Miguel Pineirovigo, and Leah Ross from the AIR Executive Office

# **Call to Order**

President Karen Webber called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m. ET. A quorum was established.

Maren Hess served as Secretary in Christopher Peña's absence.

# **Required Approvals and Acknowledgements**

## **Meeting Minutes**

Mitch Nesler moved to accept the minutes of the December 12, 2022 Board meeting as amended. Junelyn Peeples seconded.

## The motion passed.

#### **Financial Conditions and Activities Monitoring Report**

Acting Secretary Maren Hess confirmed that the monitoring report was received on time and moved that the interpretations were reasonable, the data support the interpretations, that no additional information is needed. Laura Palucki Blake seconded.

#### The motion passed.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Braden Hosch provided an update on the Board's budget to date, including 2022 expenses. He noted that expenses for in-person meetings and travel are less than budgeted because some Board members participated virtually and did not travel, and a recent Nominations and Elections Committee meeting was not held in person. President Webber asked Treasurer Hosch for his opinion on whether to adjust downward the funds designated for Board activities., and Hosch suggested maintaining the present budgeted amount since we anticipate returning to fewer virtual semi-annual meetings.

## **Executive Office Updates**

Christine Keller noted that the vote related to proposed Constitution and Bylaws changes opens January 17 and will be open through February 1. Executive Director Keller also shared 2023 Forum

speaker updates. She also asked the Board to confirm plans for its March 2023 in-person meeting, which the Executive Office suggests be held in Washington DC for reasons of cost and logistics. Board members agreed. Finally, Christine shared an overview of Executive Director and Executive Office plans for 2023 and timing of relevant reports and meetings.

# **Committee Updates**

**Future of IR Committee:** Laura Palucki Blake provided an overview of the committee's work, including four key areas of focus with next steps, to which she asked the Board to commit: demonstrate the value of IR/IE; promote diversity, equity, and inclusion; amplify student success; and cultivate leadership for IR/IE professionals. The focus of the committee is the near-term future (2-5 years) and the committee recognized that any suggestions must exist within the framework of Policy Governance. Conversation included the role of academic knowledge and contributions among IR/IE professionals and whether and how that should appear in the committee's suggestions.

## Karen Egypt joined the meeting at 2:22 p.m. ET.

Laura Palucki Blake moved that the Board commit to these four critical areas as presented (demonstrate the value of IR/IE; promote diversity, equity, and inclusion; amplify student success; and cultivate leadership for IR/IE professionals). Karen Egypt seconded.

Discussion included incorporation of the word "institutional" in the four critical areas. Braden Hosch moved that "amplify student success" be amended to "amplify student and institutional success". Mitch Nesler seconded.

#### The motion passed.

## Maren Hess left the meeting at 2:58 p.m. ET.

Conversation about the committee's work will continue at the February Board meeting.

**Nominations and Elections Committee:** Junelyn Peeples noted that the committee is working to confirm the election slate.

#### **New Business**

**Board Effectiveness:** Due to time constraints at this meeting, the new business item on Board effectiveness was moved to next month. Webber noted that a question will be added to this month's meeting evaluation to inform conversation on this topic at the February meeting.

## **Adjournment**

Karen Webber adjourned the meeting at 3:04 p.m. ET.