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Minutes NAAE Board of Directors Meeting July 24, 2023

The NAAE Board of Directors conducted a board of directors meeting virtually on July 24, 2023. Board members in attendance included: Deanna Schnuck (MO), President; Eric Tilleman (MT), President-Elect; Kyle Stapleton (ID), Region I Vice President; Cameron Dale (OK), Region II Vice President; Shari Graffunder (WI), Region III Vice President; Jeff Voris (MO), Region IV Vice President; Bill Newsom (TN), Region V Vice President; Aaron Geiman (MD), Region VI Vice President; Stan Scurlock (FL), Past President; and Alissa Smith (KY), NAAE Chief Executive Officer. Jay Jackman (KY), NAAE Chief Financial Officer joined the call during the Financial Report.

The minutes of the meeting are as follows:

- 1. **Call to Order** President Deanna Schnuck called the board meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. on Monday, July 24, 2023. Deanna welcomed all to the meeting.
- 2. **Approve Agenda** Shari Graffunder moved, Kyle Stapleton seconded, to approve the agenda with flexibility. Motion carried.
- 3. **Approve NAAE Board Meeting Minutes** Shari Graffunder moved, Jeff Voris seconded, to approve the minutes as written from the June 5, 2023 NAAE Board of Directors Meeting. Motion carried.
- 4. **NAAE Financial Report** Jay Jackman joined the call to report the results of the 2022 NAAE Independent Audit and the end of calendar year financial compilations. Eric Tilleman reported he will work with the NAAE Financial Review Committee to set up a time to report on the audit and financials prior to the September in-person board meeting.
- 5. **NAAE Membership Report** Alissa Smith provided an update on membership as of July 19, 2023 and shared that at this time we are at an all-time high for membership and we are showing a 5.28% increase in membership for the year. Alissa also reported that the finalized report will be ready for the September in-person board meeting as well as the Delegate Count for the 2023 NAAE Convention.
- 6. **CEO Update** Alissa Smith provided a program and staff update to the Board and shared information regarding meetings with sponsors as well as an update on the website redesign, 75 for 75 campaign, and engagement data from the state institutes.
- 7. **NAAE Awards Approval** Alissa Smith presented the top twenty Upper Division scores from the over sixty-five applicants. Bill Newsom moved, Shari Graffunder seconded, to approve the twenty top scores as the 2023 NAAE Upper Division Scholarship winners. Motion carried. Alissa also presented the NAAE Awards and Teacher Turn the Key



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participants for each region. Aaron Geiman moved, Shari Graffunder seconded, to approve the 2023 NAAE Award winners. Motion carried.

- 8. **New Business –** no new business was discussed.
- 9. **Adjournment** With no further business to be transacted at this time, Kyle Stapleton moved, Bill Newsom seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m. Eastern time.