

**Minutes of the April 7, 2016, meeting
of the Journalism Association of Community Colleges Board of Directors**

Attending: President Patricia Stark, Santa Barbara City College; Northern California Faculty Rep Judy House, College of the Sequoias, Visalia; Southern California Rep Patrick Schmiedt, Citrus College, Glendora; At-large Faculty Rep Cindy McGrath, Los Medanos College, Pittsburg; Student State President Laura Tapia, Riverside City College; Student Northern California Rep Michaela Payne, City College of San Francisco; Student Southern California Rep Evan Solano, Citrus College, Glendora; Industry Rep Jorge Medina; Four-Year Rep Dave Waddell, CSU Chico; Communications Director Alicia Edquist, Cerritos College, Norwalk; CNPA Services Inc. Administrator Joe Wirt; CNPA Services Inc. President Tom Newton.

Stark had audio difficulties, so House opened the meeting at 4 p.m. and called for approval of the March 3, 2016, minutes. Payne moved; Solano seconded; approved unanimously.

House asked Wirt to update the board of directors on CNPA Services Inc.'s intention to not renew the management contract for JACC when it expires June 30. He provided a history of the contract from inception to current.

Newton noted that CNPA Services Inc., the nonprofit management-services company that serves its owner, the California Newspaper Publishers Association as its principal client, was unable to serve all of its association clients, including JACC and three other nonprofit organizations, with the level of human resources and time that they all require day to day and long-term.

Wirt, referencing a previous conversation with Stark, said that if CNPA Services Inc. and JACC were able to more accurately gauge the hourly time needed and could remove certain responsibilities from the contract, a new agreement should be workable.

McGrath acknowledged the level of organization and procedural professionalism of this first year under the management contract. Newton said a new agreement would be likely as long as the parties all were able to work within their personal and organizational means. Stark said she, House and McGrath would visit the CNPA Services Inc. office in June to discuss revisions.

Medina asked how the previous year's JACC functions and operations had impacted how CNPA Services Inc. could potentially function on its behalf going forward. Wirt said the administrator would continue to provide a visible, logical and transparent structure so that directors might be able to focus on and reinforce the JACC mission while also properly executing their duties as stewards of the organization.

Stark said that JACC needed to continue to streamline and refocus and make its overall operation more manageable both by the administrator and a generous and incredibly busy JACC leadership. "What has the most value to the most people?" Stark asked. "Let's do it well." All directors on the call weighed in with their comments and hopes for continuance.

Stark said the next meeting would be at 4 p.m. Thursday, May 5. She called for adjournment at 4:40 p.m.

--Respectfully submitted by Joe Wirt, CNPA Services Inc.