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Minutes
National Communication Association
Executive Committee of the Legislative Assembly
Gaylord Hotel and Resort
National Harbor, Maryland
November 15, 2023

Participating in the meeting:

Executive Committee Members: Walid Afifi, President; Marnel Niles Goins, First Vice President; Jeanetta Sims, Second Vice President; Roseann Mandziuk, Immediate Past President; Rich West, Finance Committee Chair/Treasurer; Jimmie Manning, Finance Committee Director; Candice Thomas-Maddox, Finance Committee Director; James Cherney, IDEA Council Chair; Shaunak Sastry, Research Council Chair; Vinita Agarwal, Teaching and Learning Council Chair; Shari Miles-Cohen, Executive Director/Secretary (non-voting).

NCA Staff: Justin Danowski, Director of Governance; Joseph Ritchie, Chief Financial Officer.

Not present: Raquel Moreira, Interim Mentorship and Leadership Council Chair; Devika Chawla, Publications Council Chair.

1. Call to Order

President Afifi called the meeting to order at 2:45 p.m. Eastern.

2. Reconsideration of funding amount of the Research Cultivation Grant.

Research Council Chair, Sastry asked the EC to reconsider the August EC decision to reduce the allocation of funds for the Research Cultivation Grants from \$60,000 to \$30,000. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made to rescind the August EC decision and raised the pool of funds for the Research Cultivation Grants for 2024 from \$30,000 to \$60,000. Seconded. Discussion continued. Motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Dr. Shari Miles-Cohen
Executive Director