



**NC-SARA Board Meeting Summary Notes
May 10 – 11, 2023
Kansas City, Missouri**

Wednesday May 10, 2023

I. Welcome and Roll Call

II. Meeting Agenda and Overview of Public Session

III. Public Session

In the first part of the public session of the NC-SARA Board meeting, representatives from the SARA community discussed the SARA Policy Modification Process.

Overview of SARA Policy Modification Process and Where We Are:

- Update on SARA Policy Portal
- Review of Regional Steering Committees' (RSC) Processes for Reviewing and Voting on Proposals
- Next Steps in SARA Policy Modification Process

During the second part of the public session of the NC-SARA Board meeting, representatives from the SARA community discussed proposals that were submitted by the February 3, 2023 deadline.

- Overview of the Categories of SARA Policy Proposals
- Discussion of the SARA Policy Proposals

IV. Policy Committee Update and Discussion

The board received an update on the purpose and work of the Policy Committee, and the committee's collaboration with the Policy Implementation Team.

The board discussed a review of the SARA Policy Modification Process and some specific proposal topics anticipated for their vote during the October 2023 NC-SARA Board Meeting.

V. Minutes of the January 2023 Board Meeting

The board approved the January 2023 NC-SARA Board Meeting minutes.

VI. Report and Recommendations from the Finance Committee

The board reviewed the FY23 Financial Statement and voted to pass the FY 2024 NC-SARA Budget.

VII. Report and Recommendations from the Executive Committee

The board reviewed, discussed, and approved the SARA State and Territory Grant Proposal and several bylaw changes.

The board also held a preliminary discussion of future bylaw changes and recommendations by the board for the governance and nominations committee.

The meeting was adjourned for the day.

Thursday May 11, 2023

I. Welcome and Roll Call

II. Strategy Committee Update and Discussion

NC-SARA's Interim President provided the board with a brief report on year three of the current strategic plan, noting that a full report will be given by NC-SARA staff to the board in August.

The chair of the strategy committee reviewed the Higher Learning Commission's 2023 Trends report, and the board discussed certain SARA-relevant trends as well as some not covered by the HLC report.

The Strategy Committee will be engaging the new president in the development of NC-SARA's next strategic plan.

III. Governance and Nominations Committee Update and Discussion

The board discussed and refined three proposed procedures that do not require inclusion in the bylaws:

- Proposed Procedure for Open Sessions of the NC-SARA Board
- Proposed Procedure for Handling Governance Suggestions
- Proposed Procedure for Nominating Candidates for Board Membership

The next board member nomination process will open June 1, 2023.

IV. Task Force on Consumer Protection Update and Discussion

The board heard an update regarding the work of the consumer protection task force and held a discussion about the following two topics:

- Department of Education Regulations Potentially Impacting SARA
- New 2023 Negotiated Rulemaking Topic(s) Potentially Impacting SARA

V. Executive Session

The board held its executive session, and then adjourned the meeting.