

**FINAL**

**Minutes**  
National Communication Association  
Executive Committee of the Legislative Assembly  
Virtual  
December 6, 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; Jimmie Manning, Finance Committee Director; Candice Thomas-Maddox, Finance Committee Director; James Cherney, IDEA Council Chair; Raquel Moreira, Mentorship and Leadership Council Chair; Shaunak Sastry, Research Council Chair; Vinita Agarwal, Teaching and Learning Council Chair.

Not present: Rich West, Finance Committee Chair; Shari Miles-Cohen, Executive Director (non-voting).

National Office Staff: Justin Danowski, Director of Governance; Penelope Durham, Executive Assistant.

**1. Call to Order**

President Afifi called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. Eastern.

**2. Discussion Items**

- a. Presidential Address Ad-Hoc Investigative Committee.
  - i. The Executive Committee continued its discussion on the composition of the Ad-Hoc Committee to investigate the events leading up to and after the Presidential Address. Discussion ensued.
    - 1. *A motion was made to add an IDEA Council Representative to the Ad-Hoc Committee to investigate the events leading up to and after the Presidential Address. Seconded. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention.*

Manning and Cherney were recused.

- b. Ad-Hoc Ethics Committee
  - i. Afifi provided an update on the composition of the Ad-Hoc Ethics Committee. Discussion ensued.

Manning and Cherney returned to the meeting.

- c. Publications Council Chair Vacancy
  - i. Afifi provided an update on the current Publications Council Chair Vacancy. Discussion ensued.
    - 1. *A motion was made to appoint Nicholas Bowman as Chair of the Publications Council through December 31, 2024. Seconded. Discussion ensued. Motion failed, 4 yes, 5 no, 1 abstention.*
    - 2. *A motion was made to appoint Charles Morris as Chair of the Publications Council through December 31, 2024. Seconded. Discussion ensued. Motion*

*failed, 1 yes, 4 no, 4 abstentions.*

3. *A motion was made to release a call for Publications Council Chair with a two-week timeline to where Council experience is strongly recommended. Seconded. Motion carried, 9 yes, 1 no, 0 abstentions.*

3. Double Executive Session

- a. The EC moved into double Executive Session at 1:20 p.m. Eastern.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at ???

Respectfully submitted,  
Justin Danowski  
NCA Director of Governance