



**APPROVED Minutes
National Executive Board
April 11, 2026
11:00 a.m.- 4:22 p.m. ET
Virtual Meeting**

I Board Members Present

Cecil Adderley, NAFME President (2025-2028)
Scott Sheehan, NAFME Immediate Past President (2024-2026)
Judy Bush, NAFME President-Elect (2026-2028)
Wayne Mallette, President, Eastern Division (2025-2027)
Kim Bruguier, President, North Central Division (2024-2026)
Joe Dyvig, President, Northwest Division (2025-2027)
Susan Smith, President, Southern Division (2024-2026)
Chris Baumgartner, President, Southwestern Division (2025-2027)
Michael Stone, President, Western Division (2024-2026)
Michael Brownell, Immediate Past President, Eastern Division (2025-2027)
Rich Tengowski, Immediate Past President, North Central Division (2024-2026)
Dusty Molyneaux, Immediate Past President, Northwest Division (2023-2025)
James Daugherty, Immediate Past President, Southern Division (2024-2026)
Martha Gabel, Immediate Past President, Southwestern Division (2025-2027)
Scott Hedgecock, Immediate Past President, Western Division (2024-2026)
Heather Cote, President-Elect, Eastern Division (2025-2027)
Clay Blackman, President-Elect, North Central Division (2025-2027)
Chad Rose, President-Elect, Northwest Division (2025-2027)
Annamarie Bollino, President-Elect, Southern Division (2024-2026)
Joseph Flores, President-Elect, Southwestern Division (2025-2027)
Anne Fennell, President-Elect, Western Division (2024-2026)
Angelica Brooks, National Executive Board Member (2024-2026)
Adrian Davis, National Executive Board Member (2024-2026)

II Staff Members Present

Christopher B.L. Woodside, NAFME Executive Director
Chaudlier M. Moore, NAFME Chief Financial and Administrative Officer
Kim Henry, NAFME Chief of Staff and Governance Relations

III Guests

Julia Judish, NAFME Special Counsel, Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP

IV Call to Order

President Cecil Adderley called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time on Saturday, April 11, 2026.

V Review and Adoption of Agenda (Appendix A)

IT WAS MOVED BY FENNELL, SECONDED BY ROSE, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADOPT THE AGENDA, INCLUDING THE CONSENT AND INTERIM AGENDAS, WITH FLEXIBILITY AS DIRECTED BY THE PRESIDENT:

- APPROVAL OF JANUARY 24, 2026 NEB MINUTES
- APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT
 - MARTHA GABEL, SOUTHWESTERN DIVISION IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT
- APPROVAL OF COUNCIL CHAIRS-ELECT APPOINTMENTS
- APPROVAL OF NEB LIAISONS APPOINTMENTS
- APPROVAL OF EQUITY COMMITTEE CO-CHAIR APPOINTMENTS
 - ALICE HAMMEL, EQUITY COMMITTEE MEMBER
 - ISAIAH MASON, EQUITY COMMITTEE MEMBER
- APPROVAL OF EQUITY COMMITTEE MEMBER APPOINTMENTS
 - ALICE HAMMEL (VA)
 - ISAIAH MASON (NJ)
 - ANGELICA BROOKS (NC)
 - ADELE BOVARD (NY)
 - ASHLEY CUTHBERTSON (VA)
 - ADRIAN DAVIS (MN)
 - LAURIE FELLEENZ (WA)
 - KK FRIAR (OR)
 - LENORA HELM HAMMONDS (NC)
 - TONIA KAUFMAN (PA)
 - ERIKA KNAPP (TX)
 - AMY MARTINSON (CO)
 - MACKIE SPRADLEY (TX)
- APPROVAL OF SRME EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS
 - ROY LEGGETTEE, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA
 - AMY SIMMONS, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS – AUSTIN
 - ROBERT WOODY, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA
- APPROVAL OF SRME SENIOR RESEARCHER AWARD
 - COLLEEN CONWAY, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN – ANN ARBOR
- APPROVAL OF UPDATE ASSOCIATE EDITOR APPOINTMENT
 - GREG SPRINGER, FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
- APPROVAL OF TEACHING MUSIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT
 - CAT BENNETT (CA)
- APPROVAL OF AUDIT COMMITTEE MEMBER APPOINTMENT
 - RAY SCHWARTZ, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, NATIONAL DANCE EDUCATION ORGANIZATION
- APPROVAL OF PROXIES TO 2026 NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

VI Reports/Ongoing Business

A Report of Chair, Executive Committee

President Adderley asked Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Chaudlier Moore, to provide an overview of the NAFME finances. Mr. Moore reviewed the February 2026 month to date (MTD) and year to date (YTD) expenses, revenue, and investments. Total join/renew activity fiscal year to date is 1.56% ahead of last year.

President Adderley asked Chief Financial and Administrative Officer Chaudlier Moore to provide an overview of the NAFME Audit and 990 tax documents. Mr. Moore informed the board the Audit Committee met in March to discuss these items and provide a recommendation to the board. The Audit Committee recommended the board accept and file the audit and 990 tax documents. NAFME had a clean audit with no material misstatements.

IT WAS MOVED BY BOLLINO, SECONDED BY FENNEL, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, TO ACCEPT THE AUDITOR'S REPORT, AND FILE THE NAFME FY 2025 AUDIT REPORT, AND TO ACCEPT, FILE, AND POST THE NAFME FORM 990 IN ACCORDANCE WITH BOARD POLICY AS PRESENTED.

VII Executive Session

WITHOUT OBJECTION, IT WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 11:30 A.M.

WITHOUT OBJECTION, IT WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION AT 12:49 P.M.

The Board returned from Executive Session and reported out that it had discussed financial, budget, personnel, and program development issues.

VIII Appointments

A Approval of Executive Committee Appointment

Approved in the consent agenda. See page 2.

B Approval of NAFME Council Chairs-Elect Appointments

Approved in the consent agenda. See page 2.

C Approval of NEB Liaisons Appointments

Approved in the consent agenda. See page 2.

D Approval of Equity Committee Co-Chairs Appointments

Approved in the consent agenda. See page 2.

E Approval of Equity Committee Member Appointments

Approved in the consent agenda. See page 2.

F Approval of SRME Executive Committee Member Appointments

Approved in the consent agenda. See page 2.

G Approval of SRME Senior Researcher Award

Approved in the consent agenda. See page 2.

H Approval of Update Associate Editor

Approved in the consent agenda. See page 2.

I Approval of 2026 National Assembly Proxies

Approved in the consent agenda. See page 2.

J Approval of 2026 Audit Committee Member Appointment

Approved in the consent agenda. See page 2.

IX Old Business

A 2026 National Assembly Update

President Adderley provided an update to the board about the 2026 National Assembly. In early April 2026, registration information for the National Assembly, Collegiate Leadership Advocacy Summit, Hill Day, and the Advocacy Leadership Initiative were released, along with the lodging room block information, and reimbursement information for state MEAs. The board discussed National Assembly planning.

X Executive Session

WITHOUT OBJECTION, IT WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 2:00 P.M.

WITHOUT OBJECTION, IT WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION AT 4:12 P.M.

Staff members were excused from the Executive Session at 2:00 p.m.

IT WAS MOVED BY BOLLINO, SECONDED BY BLACKMAN, AND CARRIED, TO RATIFY THE CONFIDENTIAL MOTIONS MADE DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION AND TO TREAT THEM AS CONFIDENTIAL.

XI Adjournment

IT WAS MOVED BY STONE, SECONDED BY FENNELL, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING ON SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2026 AT 4:22 P.M. EASTERN TIME.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christopher B.L. Woodside, Executive Director

Summary and notes formally taken by Kim Henry, Chief of Staff and Governance Relations



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I	<p>Review & Adoption of Agenda</p> <p>Confirm Consent Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of January 24, 2026 NEB Minutes • Approval of Executive Committee Appointment • Approval of NAFME Council Chairs-Elect Appointments • Approval of NAFME NEB Liaisons Appointments • Approval of Equity Committee Co-Chair Appointments • Approval of Equity Committee Appointments • Approval of SRME Executive Committee Appointments • Approval of NAFME SRME Senior Researcher Award • Approval of Update Associate Editor • Approval of Music Teacher Profession Advisory Committee Appointment • Approval of Proxies to 2026 National Assembly <p>Confirm Interim Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of Audit Committee Appointment 	<p>Consent</p> <p>Consent</p> <p>Consent</p> <p>Consent</p> <p>Consent</p> <p>Consent</p> <p>Consent</p> <p>Consent</p> <p>Consent</p> <p>Consent</p> <p>Consent</p> <p>Consent</p> <p>Consent</p> <p>Consent</p> <p>Consent</p> <p>Consent</p> <p>Consent</p> <p>Consent</p>	<p>Pages 1-9</p>
II	<p>Ongoing Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ NAFME Audit & 990 APPENDIX A1, A2 • State Updates • Executive Director Update • Northwest Division Honor Groups Proposal • Elections Report 	<p>Informational</p> <p>Action</p> <p>Informational</p> <p>Informational</p> <p>Discussion</p>	<p>Pages 10-22</p> <p>Pages 23-25</p> <p>Page 26</p>

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