



## **100<sup>th</sup> GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

Nov. 14, 2025 · 12 p.m.

In person at PNA Offices, Harrisburg (or virtually via Zoom)

### **I. Call to Order**

- PNA Board of Directors Vice-Chairwoman, Sharon Sorg, welcomed members in attendance in person and virtually and called the meeting to order.

### **II. Approval of November 14, 2024, General Membership Meeting minutes**

- Ms. Sorg opened the floor to questions or discussion regarding the 2024 minutes, as provided. None were put forward. Mr. Ross moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Nalepa, passed unanimously by voice vote.

### **III. 2025 Membership Report**

- Ms. Sorg reviewed the 2025 Membership Report, as provided. Mr. Southern moved to approve the Membership Report, seconded by Mr. Nalepa, passed unanimously by voice vote.

### **IV. Financial Report & Audit Committee Report**

- Ms. Sorg recognized PNA's Vice President of Finance, Diane Brinser.
- Ms. Brinser presented the consolidated financial report for PNA and MANSI through September 2025, as provided. No questions were put forward. Mr. Binda moved to approve the Financial and Audit Committee Reports as provided, seconded by Mr. Nalepa and unanimously passed by voice vote.

### **V. Foundation Report**

- Chairwoman of the PNA Foundation Board of Trustees, Cate Barron, and the PNA Foundation's Executive Director, Tanya Henderson, presented a brief overview of Foundation activities during 2025, including:
  - Successful 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event
  - Review of Foundation Grants awarded this year
  - The addition of three new Foundation Board of Trustees members
  - Creation of the Summer Newsroom Internship Program as the Foundation serves as the connector between students and news organizations
  - Meeting with Press Forward in Pittsburgh scheduled for December
  - Donations review and discussion
  - Sustainability Lab with the Google News Initiative and the Blue Engine Collaboration
  - A review of the Journalism Training Certification Program
  - The Foundation's Center for Journalism Excellence launched as the "Poynter of Pennsylvania and corresponding committee working on the training

### **VI. Legislative Report**

- Ms. Sorg recognized PNA's Director of Government Affairs, Jan Murphy
- Ms. Murphy reviewed the Legislative Report that was provided

## **VII. PNA Update**

- PNA President and CEO, Bill Cotter, shared the following updates at PNA:
  - PNA's Advertising Conference in State College and use of some of the IAMA/PAMA funds received towards securing national speakers
  - PNA received I-SCMA funds since their dissolution, earmarked for advertising and circulation events and programs
  - PNA's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala drew 165 attendees and great sponsorship support
  - Non-profit consultant, Schultz & Williams, working with PNA and the Foundation focusing on fundraising and philanthropy endeavors. Consultation work starts in a few weeks and is expected to wrap up by the end of February
  - PNA member visits continue across the commonwealth
  - The need to drive revenue since all ERC funds have been received
  - Ms. Melewsy continues to be very busy with the legal hotline
  - Brief update on HB1291 (Public Notices)
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## **VIII. PNA 2026 Resolutions**

- Mr. Cotter reviewed the PNA Resolutions for 2026 as presented. Mr. Nalepa made a motion to accept the Resolutions as put forth, seconded by Mr. Binda, and unanimously passed by voice vote.

## **IX. Memorial Tribute Resolution**

- Mr. Cotter recognized association members who passed away in 2025, as listed on the Memorial Resolution.

## **X. Election and Installation of Officers and Directors**

- Ms. Sorg presented the Nominating Report, as shared.

### **OFFICERS**

Chairwoman .....Sharon Sorg, CNHI  
Chairman-Elect.....Brad Bailey, Press-Enterprise, Bloomsburg  
Vice-Chairman .....Lawrance Binda, TheBurg, Harrisburg  
Treasurer .....Bill Southern, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette  
Secretary .....Suzanne Parillo, The Philadelphia Inquirer  
Immediate Past Chair .....Jennifer Bertetto, Trib Total Media, Pittsburgh

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### **First Term Ending in 2028:**

John Leeser, Williamsport Sun-Gazette  
John Misinco, The Morning Call, Allentown  
Tom Murse, Pennon/LNP, Lancaster  
Burke Noel, PA Media Group  
Halle Stockton, Pittsburgh's Public Source

#### **Second Term Ending in 2028:**

Ashley Johnson, New Pittsburgh Courier

- Mr. Ross made a motion to elect the slate as presented. The motion, seconded by Mr. Nalepa, was passed unanimously by voice vote.

**XI. Questions**

- No questions were put forward.

**XII. Announcements and Adjournment**

- Ms. Sorg reviewed the list of meetings and events scheduled for next year.
- Ms. Sorg adjourned the meeting.