Governing Council Speaker Report
Council Year 2021

It has been my pleasure to serve as your Governing Council Speaker over the last year. In the role of Speaker, I view my primary responsibility as ensuring that you, as Governing Councilors, have the resources and information to serve in your role, as well as a liaison from the Association and Executive Board to the Governing Council when it is not in session. Over the last year we have undertaken some exciting initiatives focused on advancing the work of the Governing Council and of APHA. Below I provide a summary of everything I have worked on, with Governance Staff, over the last year. A special thank you to our Governance Consultant, Courtney Taylor, for all of her work over the last year. I look forward to our continued engagement and our continued advancement in 2022. I am more than happy to meet with component groups if you have questions or would like additional information about the Governing Council. As always, please reach out to me when you have questions or comments – aaron.guest@asu.edu.

Submitted,
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Speaker of the Governing Council

List of Activities

- The Speaker served in the following capacities:
  - as a member of the APHA Executive Board (meetings in January, March, May, July, September, October)
    - as a member of the Finance Committee of the Executive Board (monthly)
    - as a member of the Committee on Social Responsibility of the Executive Board (bi-monthly)
    - as a member of the APHA Executive Board Executive Committee (ad hoc)
  - as a member of the MUEEP Member Engagement Feasibility and Priority Committee (March-May)
    - as a member of the Information Technology Subcommittee
  - As an ex-officio member of the Bylaws Committee of APHA (ad hoc)
  - As an
- Served as liaison between the Executive Board, Governing Council, and assigned groups.
- Hosted 3 Speaking with Speaker Series (January – April)
- Developed evaluation of the Governing Council and reported findings to the Governing Council (January).
- Evaluated 2020 Governing Council and Exiting Councilor Experiences through surveys.
- Split orientation into two parts: Governing Council Orientation and Orientation into Parliamentarian Procedure (March and April)
- Met with member components, the Council of Affiliates, the Intersectional Council, and Caucus Collaborative.
• Planned and hosted the Mid-Year and Annual Meetings of the Governing Council.
• Evaluated Governing Council Meetings and made changes based on feedback.
• Hosted office hours at the APHA Annual Meeting.
• Held monthly meetings with APHA Governance Staff.
• Responded to e-mails and telephone calls from Governing Councilors and other APHA leaders regarding Governing Council Activities.