

NAMI National Board of Directors

Cathryn Nacario

Joe Gatto

Sheldon Jacobs

Amy Brinkley

Pooja Mehta

Jeremiah Rainville, PLC rep

Lauren Simonds, EDC rep

Victoria Harris

Devika Bhushan

Laklieshia Izzard

Dhanu Sannesy

Sukhi Sahni

Jeff Fladen

Ray Charles Lay

Babu George Mathew

Barbara Ricci

Shirley Holloway, Past President

Darien Wright, At-large

Ruth-Ann Huvane, At-large

Imaan Siddiqi, NextGen, non-voting, ex-officio

Davy Yue, NextGen, non-voting, ex-officio

Absent: Glenda Wrenn Gordon

Council Chairs

Christine Eichhorn, SMVFC

Steve Slayton, SPC

Rich Callahan, APC

Diane Banks, PLC

Staff

Cassandra Halyshyn, Executive Assistant NAMI Board of Directors

2023-2024 President Joyce Campbell called meeting to order at 7:00 am MT.

Election co-chairs, Cathryn Nacario and Laklieshia Izzard welcomed all board members, introduced newly elected Babu Mathew and Barbara Ricci and returning board members, Jeff Fladen, Ray Lay and Glenda Wrenn-Gordon. President Campbell explained the Officer Preference sheet which are NOT nominations, just preferences. Anyone can nominate a board member, as well as self-nominate. A 2-minute speech will be given by each candidate. All votes are confidential and written on a piece of paper. Shirley Holloway and Cassandra Halyshyn will collect the votes, leave room and count. If there is a tie for a seat, voting will continue until there is one clear winner with the most votes.

7:13 am MT Enter Executive Session. Council Chairs were excused from meeting.

7:22 am MT Exit Executive Session.

Motion to approve Cathryn Nacario as 2024-2025 NAMI National Board President. Approved. President Nacario presided.

7:26 am MT enter Executive Session.

7:57 am MT exit Executive Session.

Motion to approve 2024-2025 Executive Officers Joe Gatto, 1st-VP; Pooja Mehta, 2nd VP; Jeff Fladen, Treasurer; Amy Brinkley, Secretary. Moved: Ray Lay. Second: Devika Bhushan. Approved.

Motion to approve adding President Emeritus position to the NAMI National Board of Directors for a 3-year term. Moved: Ray Lay. Second: Dhanu Sannesy.

Motion to amend to 1-year term. Moved: Pooja Mehta. Second: Joe Gatto. Approved.

President Nacario went over committee/workgroup assignment and timeline. President Nacario shared

the following key dates:

July 9-10, 2024 Board Orientation (National Office)

- September 9-12, 2024 Partner Day, Research Event, Board Meeting (Washington, DC)
- December 7, 2024 (virtual Board meeting)
- March 3-5, 2025 (National Office)
- June 9-11, 2025 (in-person TBA)

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 am MT