

ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORT TO NRHS BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
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Beginning late in 2021, Council Representative Becky Gerstung (Niagara Frontier Chapter) volunteered to research the status of the entire Advisory Council (“AC”) membership to update the roster and determine current Chapter representatives. This project revealed several interesting results, including an updated list of groups that advised they are no longer NRHS Chapters, but are still listed in the NRHS Web Page.

The goal was to develop a much larger representation of active and participative council members. Noted below are several steps she has undertaken to achieve that goal. It is important to have the A/C become an active and contributing group with the Board of Directors in managing the business operations of NRHS.

Becky assembled a list of all current AC members. Using the state drop down list on the NRHS web page, and emails and phone calls, she has contacted all chapters. A summary of these results follows:

We now have 121 active chapters including two foreign (Japan, British Columbia) and three museums. Her list has been compared to the attendance sheet from the last Board meeting provided by Board Secretary Ellen Scott. Nine chapters are no longer active. Becky told those groups to notify the National and turn in their charters. Only 90 chapters currently have an Advisory Council Representative. The next step is to encourage listed representatives to educate them and their Chapters on the role and responsibilities of the AC as shown below.

A letter encouraging AC members to become more active along with a copy of the bylaws section covering the AC will be sent out shortly. We have a list of the chapters without a representative at this time. The president, secretary or other chapter officer will receive information sent to AC members until they elect a representative.

With the actions shown above, we anticipate better participation and active contributions from more Chapters.

The Council is very appreciative of Becky's persistent work in developing all the above data and establishing a follow-up plan to achieve its purpose.

As information Elizabeth Guenzler (Pacific Coast Chapter AC representative) will become the Council Secretary when officially elected to the position at the Fall AC meeting.

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