# THE OHIO SCHOOL COUNSELOR ASSOCIATION AN OHIO NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION



## **CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY**

I, Scott Koebel, the Secretary of the Ohio School Counselor Association, hereby

certify that the attached is a true and accurate copy of the minutes of the Board Meeting

held on January 25 and January 26, 2019.

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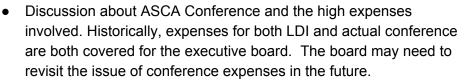
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