



Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 18th 2018

Town Hall, Cone Room , 101 Field Point Road

In attendance and present: Kathleen Burgweger, Donna Byrnes, Jaime Eisenberg, Jeffrey Evans, Grace Djuranovic, Daniel Fitzgerald, William Finger, Joui Hessel, Eva Maria Janerus, Nancy Kail, Eileen Kim, Anne Sherrerd, Nancy Weissler

In attendance via phone: Elizabeth Angelone, Frank Carpenteri, Diane Viton,

Not in attendance: Karen Chaplin, Mario Forlini, Anne Silvey Franscioni, Nisha Hurst, Erin McCall, Brook Urban, Marie Woodburn

Total Board Members in attendance in person or via phone: 16 out of a possible 23.

Staff Attending: Robert Moore, Jeremy Nappi, David Rabin.

Welcome/Comments – Anne Sherrerd, Chair

Anne Sherrerd called the meeting to order at 6:06pm. She welcomed everyone and let everyone know that Z Hospitality would once again be doing the Week of Caring from April 29-May 5.

Anne also encouraged everyone to sign up for Reading Champions medal ceremonies that will be in May and June.

Approval of Minutes – Daniel Fitzgerald, Secretary

Anne Sherrerd asked Daniel Fitzgerald to present the minutes of the February 21 Board Meeting.

Daniel Fitzgerald made a motion to approve the minutes. Kath Burgweger seconded it. The motion passed with abstention from Donna Byrnes, Eva Maria Janerus and Nancy Kail due to absence from the February meeting.

Community Planning Council Report – Nancy Weissler, Chair

Nancy Weissler reviewed the Community Planning Council meeting that was held at Nathaniel Witherell and recapped the services Nathaniel Witherell provides to the senior population of Greenwich.

Nancy invited the board to the Early Childhood Achievement Gap Solutions program launch event that will be held at the Cole Auditorium on May 15.

She also encouraged everyone to attend the Reading Champions appreciation event at the Chamber Players on April 29.

Direct Impact Program Update – Robert Moore, Director of Community Impact

Robert provided an update as to where each of the Direct Impact programs were as of the meeting and what future timelines for each program were.

After the presentation discussion ensued about the overall reception of Direct Impact by donors and our service partners.

Finance Committee Report –Eileen Kim, Vice Chair

Eileen informed the Board that the recent months Financials are posted on the portal.

David Rabin reviewed the 990 process and presented the 16/17 990 to the board.

Eileen Kim then motioned to accept the 16/17 990 and file with the IRS. Bill Finger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jeffrey Evans, Chair of the Board Designated Reserve Fund Committee, lead the Board through the quarterly report for the Board Designated Reserve Fund that was provided by Brown Advisory.

Jeff mentioned that there will be a call in the near future with Brown to review benchmarks for the funds.

CEO Report - David Rabin, CEO

David Rabin reviewed the highlights of his CEO Report for the month of April.

David Rabin presented the Total Support & Revenue report to the Board.

Fund Development and Marketing Committee Report – Diane Viton, Vice Chair

Jaime Eisenberg and Grace Djuranovic updated the Board on the Sole Sisters Luncheon.

Jeremy provided the group with an update on the Golf Tournament and the Annual Campaign.

Board Discussion on Community Investment Grants Process

Donna Byrnes and Anne Sherrerd lead a discussion surrounding the Community Investment Grant Process. The discussion specifically centered around the number and amount of grants that should be given each year.

The main takeaway was that a broadening of the number of grants versus a narrowing is at this time a direction that we should as an organization examine.

Anne Sherrerd asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kathleen Burgweger made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Joui Hessel seconded it. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:51pm.