



BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, January 27, 2021
Zoom Conference Call

Present (22): Shari Aser, Karen Chaplin, Hagar Chemali, Grace Djuranovic, Laura Erickson, Tim Drinkall, William Finger, Dan Fitzgerald, Mario Forlini, Debra Hess, Joui Hessel, Eva Maria Janerus, Eileen Kim, Cait Kraus-Long, Nicole Kwasniewski, Erin McCall, JP Muir, Karen Oztemel, Kirsten Riemer, Laurie Tropiano, Diane Viton, Nancy Weissler

Absent (2): Jaime Eisenberg, John Maus

Total Board Attendance: 22 out of 24

Staff Attending: David Rabin, Jeremy Nappi

Meeting called to order by Eileen Kim, Board Chair at 6:01pm.

Approval of Minutes – William Finger, Secretary

Bill made a motion to approve minutes with the following amendments by Nancy Weissler:

- PPE needs to be changed to PPP

2nd by Kirsten Reimer. The motion passed unanimously.

CEO Report – David Rabin, CEO

The full report available for review on the G UW board portal.

- Misha Young is no longer with the organization as of January 6, 2021.
- Robert Moore is a 40 Under 40 Recipient

Comments – Eileen Kim, Board Chair

- G UW is now a 4-star ranking by Charity Navigator.
- The February Executive Committee Meeting will be February 12.
- The February Board Meeting will be February 17.

Fund Development & Marketing – Diane Viton, Vice Chair

Jeremy Nappi recapped the Campaign Status Report and the DI Snapshot. The December 31 results allow for the G UW to grant up to the budgeted \$875,000 if the applications warrant it.

Sole Sisters will be April 29 and include a Virtual Red Carpet and a custom virtual boutique. For community outreach their will be a meal train for Kids in Crisis.

Golf will be moved to the Fall from its existing June date.



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Finance – Debra Hess, Vice Chair

Debra recapped the recent budget calls and proposed the following:

With the Golf tournament moving to the Fall, the following changes were made to the proposed final budget.

- Removal of Golf bringing that line item to \$0.
- Reduce Scholarship line item to \$50,000.

These adjustments leave the +/- of the net assets unchanged from the original proposal.

Mario Forlini gave an update on the Board Designated Reserve Fund (BDRF). There was a recent call to get a quarterly update. With a historic 2020 the BDRF did well and currently stands at \$3mil. And +15% on the year. Revisited our risk with Brown Advisors who are looking at our ESG.

Mario then made the following motion:

I move that the Greenwich United Way Board of Directors approve the Board Designated Reserve Fund Committee recommendation to draw \$90,065.00. These funds will be distributed to the working capital account in accordance with the G UW Investment Policy Statement approved by the Greenwich United Way Board of Directors, October 18, 2017.

Debra Hess Seconded the motion.

Eileen called for an affirmative vote. All present approved the motion.

Debra then made the following motion:

I move that the Greenwich United Way Board of Directors approve the 2020/2021 final budget as posted on the portal and sent to all Board members in advance of this meeting with the changes made earlier in the meeting. This budget includes grants in the amount of \$875,000 that will be presented by the Grants Committee at the February Board meeting. All Greenwich United Way funding commitments are conditional based on the success of G UW's fundraising efforts as well as each agency's adherence to both the Funding and Publicity Agreements.

Diane Viton Seconded the motion.

Eileen called for an affirmative vote. All present approved the motion.

Community Impact – Nicole Kwasniewski, Vice Chair



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Jeremy Nappi provided an update about the Needs Assessment (NA). The NA is progressing, and the Executive Summary has gone through multiple reviews. On target for a Feb. 17 presentation to the Board and a community release on Feb. 23.

David provided an update on ECAGS fundraising and provided the Board with the KEI results for the first 2 years of the Preschool Instructional Coach and the Board was shown the family profile video of a GPAT family.

Erin gave an update on the CIP Process. The Grants committee is now reviewing all applications after hearing recommendations from the CIP Community Volunteers. The Grants committee will be meeting in February to decide grant amounts that the Board will vote on for approval.

Eileen Kim made a motion to adjourn the meeting and 2nd by Debra Hess.

The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:42pm.

Executive session followed.

Respectfully submitted by Jeremy Nappi