

04.03.10 First Quarter Board Meeting Minutes

Neighborhood House - Saint Paul, MN

The board of directors met on Saturday, April 3rd, 5-7PM with the following meeting notes:

Present:

Juanita Espinosa, President
Denise Mayotte, Vice President

Anna Sherwood, Secretary/Treasurer (teleconference)

Phil Winden, General Board Member
Bienvenida Matias, General Board Member
Martin Case, General Board Member
Bee Vue, General Board Member

Kristine Sorensen, Executive Director
Ruth Taylor, Board Advisor
Aaron Rosenblum, Program Intern

Absent:

Carrie Estey, General Board Member (absent due to illness)

Meeting Called to order by Juanita Espinosa at 5PM

Meeting Purpose: 2011 Board Roster Discussion & Committee Reports

Notes: Items marked in red indicate a motion made by a board member during the meeting.

Program Updates

Kris Sorensen to provided a program update for January - May, 2010.

Additional comments:

- Saib Kuv Event - very successful on all levels
- current state of school funding programs - discouraging, especially for Native American schools.
- Summer programming is pending information on pending proposals.

Executive Committee Report

- Fourth Quarter Board Meeting Notes - Board reviewed minutes with no recommended changes.
- **Denise motioned to approve Fourth Quarter Board Meeting. Phil seconded. Passed Unanimously.**

Development Committee Report

- Update on development activities:
- Traveler's Foundation - turned down for \$10,000 request, however we can reapply through a different channel come fall.
- Yackel Foundation, pending letter of inquiry
- MacArthur - turned down
- MN State Arts Board, pending on 3 requests
- increase target goal for foundation support to \$100,000 (\$65,000 in 2009)
- Sharon deMark from St. Paul foundation seems very interested in and supportive of In Progress. We will pursue Lowertown Arts Funding this coming fall.
- Earned income revenue could be in jeopardy with school programs in 2010/2011. We need to up foundation support or find new streams of earned income.
- **Phil moved to accept 2010 Development Plan, seconded by Anna. Passed Unanimously.**

Finance Committee Report

- 2009 ended a little better than expected (\$12k vs \$10k)
- 2010 lean budget; doesn't include state arts board request
- IRS 990 is complete
- forward to Fabian Vue for financial review
- **Denise motioned to accept 2009 Year End Financial Statements, Beni seconded. Passed unanimously.**
- **Denise motioned that In Progress expend monies only as committed. Seconded by Bee. Passed unanimously.**
- **Denise motioned to accept the IRS 990 and MN Annual Report for 2009. Seconded by Phil. Passed unanimously.**

Membership Committee Report

Review of Board Terms. Board is solid going into 2011, However 2012 shows a dramatic drop off of board members. Suggestion to build board by 203 members for 2011 to help counter this.

Discussion regarding 2011 New board members including the following:

- Chente Vue
- DeAnna Drift
- Garrio Harrison
- Sandy Agustin

Kris will meet with three of the four and provide follow up by September board session.
Beni will follow up with Sandy Agustin

Additional Items:

Next board meeting will take place Saturday, June 23rd at In Progress.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:00PM