

Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, February 12th, 2017

6:30-8:30 WSCO Office 209 Page St W

Agenda:

1. Welcome and public comments
2. Consent Agenda
 - a. January financials
 - b. January minutes
 - c. February agenda
 - d. Recent letters of support
3. Updates from Executive Director
 - a. New equity projects with other district councils
 - b. Hiring update
4. Statement of community inclusiveness
5. 2017 City Contract
 - a. 2016 achieved outcomes
 - b. 2017 activities to include
6. Board Workshop/retreat
 - a. Select meals from Babaini's
 - b. Goals
7. Board Q&A, promotions and evaluations

Meeting Minutes:

- 6:31 Krysten calls to order
- Community Issues Public Comment
 - Aging in Community -- to build a strong community, you can't leave anyone behind
 - One of the biggest deficits is housing for seniors
 - Wilder, no Humboldt Apts no longer subsidized,
 - Looking for ideas and people to work with on finding a way to make sure the senior voice is heard on the West Side
 - Looking for senior housing on stryker
 - Mia, director of nursing at Northstar Behavioral Health Services
 - Will be coming to Water St.
 - Long term counseling program for people with opiate addictions

- 16 bed residential, long term (90 days)
 - Expect to move in by summer, employ LADC and LADC Supervisor, another nurse -- 16 employees
- Consent Agenda
 - Request to add in a discussion on WSCO emails after board workshop
 - Nick motions to approve consent agenda, Louis seconds
 - Unanimously approved
- Updates from ED
 - Monica will send out the updates electronically as well
 - Admin and Organizer start this week - purchased equipment for them
 - In the 2nd phase of FR Bigelow and Mardag Branding -- means we should know if we are getting the grant by May
 - Hamline University brought some students through WSCO and learned about the the history and meet the founder -- note, WSCO was the first district council
 - Monica represented WSCO on a panel on planning and public health
 - Participated with Wilder on an early conversation around West Side being a pilot community to gather data on policing
 - Monica is in the final stages of the city contract -- we need to ensure there is an equity plan in the contract. Four district councils have gone in on developing an equity plan -- March 4th 1-4pm, volunteers will make the plan and assist WSCO in implementing and build it into the plan for next year
- Statement of Community Inclusiveness
 - Read draft statement out loud to the board
 - Shorten if possible -- like the focus on vision
 - Good to have message -- how can we back it up with actions? Can we include resources, or point people to resources -- where are sanctuaries and information on ICE Raids and what you should do, know your rights
 - The west side has long been a place that welcomes immigrants.
 - Could boost an album on facebook and a small poster or bag insert (multi language)
 - Craig will redraft based on feedback and send out as google doc so we can manage editing online
 - Monica will organize links and information to provide as fliers -- looking to translate into Spanish, Somali and Hmong
 - Krysten motions to take direct action in support of immigrants in for the form of a statement and resource sheet and disperse as the organization has the capacity. Analita seconds.
 - Unanimous approval
- Alicia and Nicholas arrived (not part of previous votes)
- 2017 City Contract Work
 - Need to vote to approve the city contract budget and FY2017 statement of work

- Held review of 2016 work
- Move 2000 from equipment into Personnel
- Louis moves to adopt FY17 SOW and Itemized Budget and Alicia seconds
 - Unanimously approved
- Tawala arrived
- Board Workshop
 - Will be different than last year's retreat and focus more on organizational structure
 - Goal: everyone walks out with an individualized plan for the year
 - Workshop will take place at WSCO 10-2 on 2/25
- WSCO email addresses
 - All board members should use their WSCO addresses for WSCO business and to work on documents and shared calendar
- Board Q&A, Promotions and 1-Word Evals
 - Excited about new staff, Monica will be reaching out to set up meetings/lunches
 - Cinco de Mayo planning has started - see Alicia if you or your business is able to volunteer
 - Inspiring group
 - High Bridge goes under construction this fall and will be re-decked for one year
 - Will address railings on bridge
 - Some bump outs added to Smith
 - Will host another committee meeting -- Louis will follow up
 - Very informative
 - Women's Expo on March 18th and two happy hours after that -- Kerry to follow up
 - Board work becoming more clear
 - Abigail and Joanna hosting an event at Neighb on March 4th (State, Morton) -- they will be doing some fliers
 - Feb 23rd, Black History program at Neighb 6pm youth performances, etc. food included -- more information from Tawala
 - Derek is bringing Macalester football players to the west side
 - This Thursday 16th at 3pm there is a child protection rally at the capitol
 - Park Square Theater has an interesting play this month "Four Women"
 - Encouragement to participate in Black History Month
 - This Wednesday 15th Metro Transit is hosting a forum on reimagining the Winter City 500 N 5th St Mpls 8:30-12 -- register with eventbrite
 - Nicholas did some voter registration numbers - ask him for details
 - March 25th 11am on East Side -- Mayoral Forum at Dayton's Bluff Rec Center
- Angela Motions to close, Nicholas seconded
 - Unanimously approved

Attendees:

- Monica Bravo
- Alicia Lucio
- Nick Johnson
- Louis Garcia
- Analita Silva
- Kerry Mathews
- Chue Chang
- Abigail Dominguez
- Derek Johnson
- Joanna Lowry
- Krysten Ryba-Tures
- Nicholas Novacek Bundt
- Angela Marlow
- Craig Willford
- Tawala Storay