

Meeting Minutes 10/25/23

Attendees:

Bernie Frazier Cindy Dolniak Claire Moran Diana Ferner Jennifer Stewart Julie Hohe Kelli Risse	Kerry Ghormley Lisa Kopis Rachel Jeep Sarah Broyles <i>Missing: Abby Mahon, Ana Stringfellow</i> Katherine Flett, Kimberly Vissak, Maggie West, Michelle Archer, Sonya Tandy
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5:37 p.m. Kerry makes a motion to begin the meeting, and Jennifer seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

Diana makes a motion to approve the minutes, and Bernie seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

Financials – Kerry (for Sonya)

- The PWA Income Statement and Balance Sheet were provided to the Board.
- In Sonya’s absence, questions and discussion will be saved for the Board Retreat.

Discussion

- Diana mentioned that every committee should have their proposed budgets ready for the Board Retreat.
- Kerry reminded everyone to account for the new bylaws addition about covered registration for chairs who are running the event.
- Kerry explained the rationale behind having budgets for the 2024 year.

Philanthropy/Fundraising – Abby Mahon / Rachel Jeep

- Rachel discussed bylaws updates.
 - The intention is to have updated bylaws to vote on by the retreat.
- The Fundraising Committee is trying to reserve a space for the May 9, 2024 event.
 - They do not want to over-commit to a space not knowing how many people to expect.

Marketing – Julie (for Michelle)

- The website updates are complete.
 - Julie will send the board a link to see the backend of the website before it goes live.
 - The board will discuss this further at the Board Retreat.

Membership –Bernie

- There is a new Committee member.
- The open house had 34 attendees. Seven were corporate members, 17 members and 10 guests. Two new members signed up, including one who was technically coming back from a couple of years ago.
- They are planning to do the open house again two times next year.

Scholarship – Cindy

- The Committee has awarded \$8,500 of the \$10,000 budgeted.
- A check for \$500 was awarded to Missouri Girls State.
- There are three new applications, and if the committee decides to approve them, they can receive \$500 each.

Programming – Kelli

- The Committee is in the process of securing lunch speakers for next year.
- Julie sent the email for 2024 spotlights and virtual programs.
- Kelli and Sarah are setting up monthly meetings with the Committee.

Social – Claire

- The flower arrangement event is tomorrow, October 26, 2023 from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. There are 15 people signed up for the event.

Discussion

- There was discussion around open positions on the Board and how those are being handled.

President Elect – Kerry

- 2023 VOICES Award
 - Julie sent the email to vote for the VOICES award winner.
 - There was discussion around who votes for this award. Per Julie, this changed a few years ago from the full membership to just the Board Members.
 - The Board discussed the process of the VOICES award.
- Kerry gave the 2024 Board Slate as it stands now.
 - Kerry – President
 - Ana – Past President
 - Carol Hofer – President-Elect
 - Diana – VP & Golf League Chair (she is looking for a VP replacement)
 - OPEN – Treasurer
 - Jennifer - Secretary
 - OPEN – Co-Chair Fundraising (& Philanthropic) and Lisa
 - OPEN – Co-Chair Marketing (Michelle will stay if she has a Co-Chair)
 - OPEN – Co-Chair Mentoring and Maggie West
 - Bernie and Kimberly are staying as Membership Co-Chairs
 - Kelli and Sarah are staying as Programming Co-Chairs
 - OPEN – Co-Chair Social and Claire Moran
- The Executive Committee is working on getting a bookkeeper to make the Treasurer position easier to fill.

Kerry makes a motion to approve the slate for the 2024 Board of Directors, and Diana seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

- The Board Retreat is Saturday, November 11th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Forest Hills Country Club.
 - Diana asked that everyone get there at 8:45 a.m. so that we can start right at 9:00.

- All outgoing and incoming Board Members are requested to attend.
- Kerry asked that everyone bring a budget for their committee, with as many specifics as possible. Also, Chairs are to bring committee goals and overview for 2024.

Golf – Diana

- The Golf Tournament went well.
- The after party was not well-attended. There may have been some miscommunication or emails that were caught in spam.

Other Business –

- The holiday event is December 6, 2023, and will be held at the Forest Hills Country Club.
 - The Board discussed possible activities, music, presentations, and names for the event.
 - The board decided to call the event an End of Year Celebration.

6:57 p.m. Diana makes a motion to adjourn, and Bernie seconds the motion. Motion passes unanimously. Meeting adjourned.