

Humanists of Minnesota

Board of Directors Meeting

March 11, 2020

Attendees: Harlan Garbell (President), Suzanne Perry (Vice President), Dave Guell (Secretary), Jerry Smith, Marcy Woodruff, Christine Retkwa, Seth Engman.

Absent: Nick Haylund, Ellie Haylund, Mitch Thompson, Meline Juarez,

Location: Wedge Table.

Minutes

The February minutes were approved.

Harlan reported that Nick is returning to the US on or about March 19.

Jerry discussed thoughts concerning financial reports through the end of January. Fiscal year to date net revenue is \$1091. He also reported that net revenue for the prior month was unusually high and that significant expenses (associated with the Solstice event and Camp Quest) came in thereafter.

Marcy reported on activities being considered and organized by the social action committee, including voter registration and highway cleanup.

Suzanne reported that Facebook has rejected certain of our ads because of tighter restrictions on political ads. She has submitted various documents Facebook requested to prove we are who we say we are, but so far has not won approval. She asked if people had ideas about other places we could advertise. Some mentioned community newspapers.

Harlan moved that a recent donor be made a lifetime member of the organization in recognition of his recent contribution of stock to the organization far in excess of the current membership fee for lifetime membership. Jerry seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Harlan moved that the Board solicit donations for Camp Quest online and via electronic mail but not by postal mail. Seconded by Jerry. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board expressed general agreement that leaders of events operated by the organization be authorized to give organization t-shirts to participants who meet guidelines and criteria to be determined at a future date.

Harlan moved that the tech-team implement automatic annual renewal as an option in MembershipWorks. The motion passed unanimously.

Harlan moved that the tech-team implement automatic renewal of memberships (for the Sustaining, Benefactor and Patron level memberships) on a monthly basis in MembershipWorks. Harlan seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Harlan nominated Audrey Kingstrom, Jerry Smith and Mitch Thompson to serve on the Board nominating committee, with Ellie Haylund as a backup.

The board approved paying up to \$150 for pizza and soft drinks for the May annual meeting.

Jerry discussed a proposed Mission statement of the corporation, which would be reflected as an amendment to the by-laws and on the website.

Next Board meeting will be April 8, 7:00 pm on Zoom.