



Board Meeting Minutes
3:00 – 5:00 pm, Tuesday, December 15, 2020

Welcome & Roll Call: Tim Matlick, Kim Sia, Chad Miller, Casey McComsey, Nicole Wetzel, David Singer, Andy Franko, Pat Donovan, Susan Marshall and Alison Griffin and Dale Chu joined via Zoom.

David left the meeting at 3:25 pm.
Arkan Haile was not in attendance.

Dan Schaller, Teresa Tate, Mark Heffner, and Peter Mason participated via Zoom as staff.

Call to Order: Andy called the meeting to order at 3:05pm. He requested a motion to approve the agenda with the shuffling of moving the Stakeholder report to the beginning for today's board meeting which was made by Tim and seconded by Susan. The agenda was approved unanimously.

Andy requested a motion to approve the minutes from November which was made by Tim and seconded by David. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Stakeholder Committee Update:

Interest from the #1 appointed candidate was declines as she was too stretched at this time to commit. So, the committee has moved down the list to the next potential candidate. She expressed interest in joining the board, but would not be able to do so until August. We are working to confirm her commitment to then determine our next area of need. We are focusing on racial diversity, regional diversity and political diversity.

The option to delay the election until April was also discussed. The bylaws do not dictate a timeline, only conducting the election as part of an announced annual meeting. Pros and cons were brought forth by the full board and the final determination was to stay with the standard timeline and hold the election in coordination with the annual conference.

Finance Committee Update:

Mark presented an overview of the current financials. Revenue is tracking 101% to plan. Expenses are 83% to plan due to holding a virtual conference. We expect the pie charts to line up more closely once the conference is complete. We've also had an influx of restricted grants come in.

Tim also shared that the monthly reviews/checks with Kim have been going well.

Development Committee Update:

Highlights: We've secured \$75,000 from Anshutz. We may soon be the first CSO in the nation to receive funding from the Charter School Growth Fund with a focus on advocacy for elections. We just received notification of opening of the portal to apply for Walton for next year. We submitted \$725,000/year for 2 years, and are hoping for \$650,000 per year.

Alison shared a recommendation from the committee to the board. The initial direction of the development committee had too many prongs and was challenging for a new committee. The role has changed with the new leadership. The committee has debated the current role of the committee. The committee recommends to suspend the activities of this committee for the remainder of this fiscal year and to reallocate the time of the committee members to assist with other committee work. Current committee members are Alison, Nicole, Arkan, Dan & Pete. Alison would propose to serve on the government affairs committee. Nicole would propose to serve on any committee needed, a request to have her join the stakeholder committee was made. Arkan is already serving on a second committee.

Andy clarified that we do not need a formal recommendation or vote. But asked if there were any concerns with the recommendation. There were none.

Governmental Affairs Committee Update:

Dale shared the key topics from the last committee meeting. There was a discussion regarding the SPED report conducted by CDE. Updates were shared on the legislature committees. They also discussed the potential of a delay in the start of the session. But, the main discussion was around the League's legislative priorities for the year.

Dan reviewed the priorities for consideration for the full board and approval of the board.

A motion was made to approve the legislative agenda by Susan and seconded by Patrick. It was approved unanimously.

Executive Committee Update:

Andy shared the committee covered most topics already discussed through other committees. They had a lengthy discussion around the development committee recommendation that was already discussed. They additionally discussed the other advocacy groups that are forming in the state as well as the special education report that dropped last week.

Staff Report:

Pete provided an update on the conference theme, registrations and sponsor sales.

Discussion Items:

A discussion was held around the final draft of the Pillars and Principles for the League. Feedback was given from a variety of board members. The board was also encouraged to send ongoing feedback about priorities to Dan.

There was a motion by Tim to adopt the Pillars & Principles with amendments discussed today so long as they don't materially change the document. Kim seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously.

A discussion was held around the updated draft of the League Priorities for the coming years. Additional edits will be made and brought back to the board.

Celebration:

Staff joined the last 30 minutes of the meeting to allow time for introductions and to celebrate the accomplishments of the League in 2020.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Andy. It was approved unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 5:07pm.

Next Meeting: The next regular meeting of the League board will occur on Tuesday, January 26, 2021.