

## Foster Change Board Meeting

**DATE - 10/23/23**

**TIME - 7-8:30pm**

**Board Members Present (highlighted in Yellow):** Cindy, Jayne, Jessica, Ali, Ben, Caitlin, Deena, David, Moleen

**Staff Members Present (highlighted in Yellow):** no staff at this time

**A quorum is present.**

**Cindy called the meeting to order at 7:08pm .**

### **Standing Agenda Items**

**Item 1- Approve the minutes from the last meeting (LINK: ).**

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**approved**

### **Item 2- President's Report- Cindy (15 minutes)**

- Mal
- Town Halls/Wrapped up for 2023/New Town Hall Framework/Intern Analyzing (Ali)
- NFPA COSA Membership - 9/11/23 - checked in to confirm
- NFPA Meeting in October 26-28, Reston, Virginia/Capitol Hill
- MOU with DFS - still needs to do
- Gift Card Program Deena will take over the role of creating a google doc to receive referrals and Cindy will connect Deena to the point person at DFS, possible Anita at FPC

### **Item 3 - VP Report - Jayne (15 minutes)**

- Update on your past month as it pertains to FC
  - hosted first Advisory Committee meeting, great turnout. Wants to invite more to sit on the committee. For ex, her previous boss (a housing authority rep)
  - Mou process - the Advisory committee was interested in funding and budgets. Agreed to Meeting quarterly, next meeting is Jan 18th at 7pm, Holly is the new coordinator and she will be over the events
- Host Open Table Discussion (Topics to discuss: Phone Lines, Gift Card Program, MOU Draft, accounting, Grant Writing/Reporting Help, Checking Feedback and submitting?)

- Dave - attended the Citizens Advisory Committee meeting - there was discussion about ways to gather feedback. Dave will take over the feedback form on the foster change website.

-Discussion about the grant writer fund - possibly Jayne will take this over

-Jayne was contacted by Foster Parent Champions to complete a survey about her experience as a foster parent. Jayne will reach out to see if we can be involved in the survey

#### **Item 4 - Secretary Report - Jessica (10 minutes)**

- Update on your past month as it pertains to FC
  - Jessica forgot her password but has found it now. There are 5 awaiting emails that need to be responded to and there have not been any new foster families added to the DFS list
- Managing DFS List of Newly Licensed Foster Parents & All Meeting Scheduling
  - Jessica will reach out to licensing workers; Cindy will ask Holly how new members are added to the Caregiver Courier
  - Jessica reached out to the foster care advocate for CCSD (Gregory Holloway). There is a meeting scheduled with him and Ali for Thursday 10/26/23.

#### **Item 4 - Treasurer's Report- Ali (10 minutes)**

- Update on your past month as it pertains to FC
  - Ali shared balance sheet
- Update on OAG
- Update on Stabilization Funds Activity
  - We will see how the first request for reimbursement goes and move forward from there
- Proposal - talk of swapping roles to one better suited
  - Ben and Ali are meeting tomorrow. The board supports them switching roles.

#### **Item 5- Legislation/Advocacy Report - Ben (10 minutes)**

- Update on your past month as it pertains to FC

#### **Item 6 - Chair reports**

- **Marketing update - Caitlin - (5 minutes)** Update on your past month as it pertains to FC
  - Adding minutes to FC website?
  - Updating home screen video with current logo

- **Fundraising/Events update- Deena - (5 minutes)** - Update on your past month as it

pertains to FC

- Stronger Together conference - raffled off 3 baskets
- met with Denise and Holly - 10/25 - Amazon is having a trunk or treat;  
10/24 - Christmas meeting - the goal is to collect \$200,000
- Deena wants access to post on the facebook page for events
- Olive Crest will be donating 25-30 food boxes for our families
- in February we will be doing a table at
- got tickets to LOLKids - wants to do something like the 12 days of christmas and give families prizes
- wants to plan a freezer meal prep class in November to help busy families - board voted to approve the event

● **Member's Rep update - Moleen - (5 minutes)** Update on your past month as it pertains to FC

● **Member's Rep update - David - (5 minutes)** Update on your past month as it pertains to FC

**Additional Agenda Items (Use Open Table Discussion for this item and add notes here:)**

**Next board meeting: suggestion: Monday, Nov 27, 2023 7-8:30pm**

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:34pm**