

Foster Change Board Meeting

DATE - 2/24/2024

TIME - 10-11:30am

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

Advisory Board Liaison (if present, highlighted in Yellow) - Leah

Staff Members Present (if present, highlighted in Yellow): no staff at this time

A quorum is present: yes

Cindy called the meeting to order at 10:04am

Standing Agenda Items

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

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Approved: Ali motioned, Jessica second, all in favor - yes

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

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- Upcoming Town Halls - Town Halls Schedule - 2024 - tasks associated with Town Halls - FK has arranged for two interns to assist with the next 2 or 3 town halls. Will be advertised in email groups and facebook groups. Jessica requested the fliers are shared so it could be added to welcome emails.
- MOU with DFS - in progress
Update on this from last month: Denise was open to suggestions for the MOU. They agreed to the 10% administrative fee that we asked for. We have decided to have an executive event committee over events that will ensure the 90% is earmarked appropriately and create a budget for each event. The extra events that we will assist with are graduation, Easter, and Peggy's Attic.
- Gift Card Program - Can someone else manage this? - Report update for this https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1JLUoZGiNOMq_Y2fQub92nnr6d0Fbsuia00QhShxd3no/edit?resourcekey#gid=1885473515
Foster Kinship has helped with managing this.
- Rare Spark Music Scholarship Program - <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1JkiAYZgYG9UAYyLunnO3CiMI7wvWfyhqcAoWehbLSPk/edit#responses>
When families complete the google form it goes directly to Christy at Rare Spark and she replies to them. We have kids on the waitlist that will be able to join in

April. We have received two invoices and paid two invoices. We need to set up a meeting with Christy to make sure that the services are being provided that we are paying for.

- Voice - new log in - Helpline@fosterchangecc.org (I have lost the pw) The password reset goes to Ali. Cindy and Ali will get together in real time to figure it out.
- Caitlin
Caitlin has decided to resign. Cindy will take over the responsibilities unless someone else is interested in taking over the responsibilities.
- Proposal for Lending Library -
The library is currently housed at Foster Kinship and all families have access to the library. Cindy proposed we donate the library to Foster Kinship. If someone from Foster Change wants a resource we could find the funds to buy the book for them. Dave met with the library and they are excited to be a part of this and are willing to advertise this on their email blasts. These books would be available to all families with a library card, not just foster families.

The books are discussed at the Foster Kinship trainings and people would be able to check them out during their trainings.

Vote:

Foster Kinship - Cindy, Jessica, Ben

Public Library - Dave

Item 3 - VP Report - Jayne (15 minutes)

- Update on your past month as it pertains to FC
Will be absent today, due to a work event at Nevadas for the Common Good conference

Item 4 - Secretary Report - Jessica (10 minutes)

- Update on your past month as it pertains to FC
No new updates

Item 4 - Treasurer's Report- Ben (10 minutes)

- Update on your past month as it pertains to FC
 - Jessica motioned for Ben to be the treasurer and Ali to be legislation/advocacy, Cindy seconded - all in favor (Dave, Ben, Ali, Leah)
 - Ali will take over the town hall responsibilities

- Ben shared the budget draft (DFS, OAG grant, administrative)
The supply line will change because we voted to donate the lending library
Ben is looking into grant opportunities to support our expenses

Ali motioned the adoption of the budget, Cindy seconded the motion - all in favor (Jessica, Ben, Dave, Leah)

The DFS column shows the 10% that FC collects as an administrative fee.
The MOU with DFS is being finalized.

The executive event committee approves the expenses for the events that we support.

Item 5- Legislation/Advocacy Report - Ali (10 minutes)

- Update on your past month as it pertains to FC

No new updates

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

Jessica has updated Constant Contact as of today. All board members can participate in tabling events.

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

There was public interest and families did on site fingerprinting!

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

Public Library - Dave will continue to reach out to build a relationship with advertising for recruiting foster families. Also please invite us to any community events that we can set up a table at.

Appointed to the CAC - an oversight committee to guide the policies of DFS.
Has started discussions about FC overseeing some of the rules that are made by DFS and issues brought up in the town hall meetings.

- **Advisory Board Liaison - Leah - (5 minutes)** Share on behalf of the Advisory

Board, any concerns, issues, requests, recommendations, etc

Rare Sparks information was shared at the last advisory board meeting. Working toward building attendance at the committee. Casa, Foster Change, Foster Kinship and the Hub were represented at the last meeting.

Host Open Table Discussion/Additional Agenda Items: (10 minutes)

Topics to discuss: None

Next board meeting: April 20, 2024 at 10:00am

Meeting Adjourned at 11:22am