



**North County LGBTQ Resource Center
Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, September 12, 2018
MINUTES**

Call to Order: The North County LGBTQ Resource Center Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 6:30pm; a quorum was present. The Mission Statement was read by Joe White.

Attendance

Present:

Board Members

Maria Al-Shamma, Board Chair
Maria Cerda, Board Vice-Chair
Joe White, Treasurer/Executive Committee
Ken Grandlund, Board Secretary
Carolyn Bolton, Board Member
Carlos Tabora, Board Member
Aaron Giron, Board Member

Youth Advisor

Gregory Richardson

Community Partners

None present

Staff

Max Disposti, Executive Director
Linda Johnson, Administrative Assistant

Invited Guests

None present

Introductions

Introductions were done with a get to know you question included. Ken Grandlund read the Mission Statement.

Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve August 2018 minutes as submitted (per one capitalization revision) made by Joe White, seconded by Aaron Giron; unanimously approved. Board members Carolyn Bolton and Maria Cerda abstained from this vote due to their absence at the meeting for which the minutes were taken.

Financial Statements

Joe White reviewed Financial Statements for July 2018. Motion to approve financial statements was made by Ken Grandlund, seconded by Carolyn Bolton; unanimously approved. Additional discussion for clarification on the grant statements that were also included for general board information.

Community Partners Check-In

None available.

LGBT COMMUNITY CENTER SURVEYS OVERVIEW

Executive Director Max Disposti shared the most recent LGBT Community Center survey provided by Centerlink to affiliated centers. This survey provides comparative information about structure, mission, funding, staffing, programs and more of the over 100 LGBTQ centers in the United States. Max related where our Center compares to others and some discussion regarding the usefulness of this information for our own Center's growth. A copy or link to this report will be available to board members on request.

PAST BUSINESS

Executive Director's Report was reviewed by Max Disposti, with an update on the Unicorn Home (formerly Cool Beds) program and some general discussion of the Pride at the Beach Variety Show. Motion to approve the Executive Director's Report was made by Carols Tabora, seconded by Joe White; unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Board Retreat Maria Al-Shamma and Max Disposti explained the plan for a board retreat to be held locally on October 5 and October 6. The purpose of the board retreat is to strengthen relationships between board members, which benefits the Center through shared visions and open channels of communication. Maria Al-Shamma will host both dates at her home with board members helping with pot-luck style lunch on Saturday.

AIDS Walk & Run Max Disposti gave a brief history of the Center's involvement with the San Diego AIDS Walk/Run and how our Center benefits directly from our involvement. He also discussed creative ways to help fundraise for events like this outside of social media. Most board members were not available to participate this year. Ken Grandlund, Carlos Tabora, and Aaron Giron indicated they would try to attend on behalf of the Center. Matching funds can be generated through October 8, 2018.

Community Partners Program was again reviewed, by Maria Al-Shamma and Max Disposti, with an addendum from the By-Laws for reference provided. This was general discussion to help refine what this program should look like and how it can benefit the mission of the Center.

Other Discussion

- 1- Gregory Richardson shared what the youth group had been doing, including a visit with Relle Goan to Vista Magnet Middle School to let them know about the Center, a movie screening event, and a name/gender change training.
- 2- Carlos Tabora mentioned shared a connection he has made between Kathie Moehlig at Trans Family Support Services and the organization he works for regarding endocrinology care for trans individuals.
- 3- Maria Al-Shamma and Max Disposti told of their marathon day of LGBTQ competency training for Vista School District staff- the entire staff of 1200 in four blocks of 400 each.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Minutes submitted by Board Secretary Ken Grandlund