
DATE: January 5, 2018

Attendees

Board: Lynn Richards (President and CEO), Eliza Harris Juliano (Chair), Michael Pride (Chair Elect), Matthew Lewis (Secretary), Laurie Volk (Treasurer), Susan Henderson, Larry Gould, Scot Spencer, Emily Talen, John Torti

Absent: none

Staff: Moira Albanese, Alissa Akins, Lisa Schamess

Eliza Harris Juliano, Board Chair called the meeting to order at 1:10 PM ET. A quorum was present.

1. Declaration of Conflict of Interest — Presented by Eliza Juliano Harris (Chair)

I. **Discussion:** No Conflicts

2. Chair's Report

- I. The organization has received 35% revenue growth in the past year
- II. Now that the board has fewer members than before, the active ones have to be more engaged in the movement and organization

3. President's Report

- I. Abby had her baby, a little girl named Lilah Josette
- II. The End of the Year Campaign has resulted in \$47,000 in membership dues, and \$12,000 in donations
- III. Liza Mueller, the new Congress Program Assistant, and Taylor Griggs, the Congress Fellow, will start January 12, 2018

4. Consent Agenda— Presented by Eliza Harris Juliano (Chair)

- I. Approve the minutes from September board meeting
- II. Approve the agenda for current board meeting
- III. Approve the 2018 election schedule
- IV. Approve the CNU Board Code of Conduct

Motion: to approve the consent agenda by Michael Pride (Chair Elect). Seconded by Laurie Volk (Treasurer).

Vote: All in favor, Motion Passes

The Chair directed Lynn to send the newly passed Board Code of Conduct to Board members for signature.

5. Finance Report —Presented by Laurie Volk

Discussion: CNU's 2018 budget is on track to be 130 % of projected income, with the exclusion of pipeline funding. An operating reserve is pulled from the current budget and set aside every two weeks. The term "profit" could be replaced with a word that more

accurately describes the money to reflect the delta between income and outgoing monies.

Motion: to approve the 2018 budget by Susan Henderson. Seconded by Scot Spencer.

Vote: All in favor, Motion Passes

6. **Nomination Committee—Presented by John Torti**

Discussion: There will be one open seat and one elected seat on the board this year. An email has been sent to the membership calling for qualified candidates to run. The committee will review all of the candidates, and certified candidates will be voted on by the membership.

Single Firm Voting Policy:

- Policy was written with intent to limit the power of one firm on the board

Proposal: Accept the policy with the removal of paragraph #3

Motion: to approve the policy as so amended by John Torti. Seconded by Emily Talen.

Vote: All in favor, Motion Passes

7. **CNU 28 —Presented by Lynn**

Discussion: Representatives from the Twin Cities will be invited to present at the March Board meeting.

8. **Fellows —Presented by Matt Lewis**

Discussion: Introduction of a set of standards, or selection criteria for future fellows. The committee presented names of nominated of candidates for Fellows Award.

Proposal: Accept the Selection Criteria with the removal of #5.

Motion: to approve the Selection Criteria as so amended by Matt Lewis (Secretary). Seconded by Michael Pride (Chair Elect).

Vote: All in favor, Motion Passes

Proposal: Accept the nominations for Fellows put forth by the Nominations Committee.

Motion: to approve by Matt Lewis (Secretary). Seconded by Scot Spencer.

Vote: All in favor, Motion Passes

Proposal: Nominations schedule: Nominations due November 1. Board to vote on nominations during the December board meeting

Motion: to approve by Scot Spencer. Seconded by Susan Henderson

Vote: All in favor, Motion Passes

9. Athena Award —Presented by Mett Lewis

Discussion: Jan Gehl has been nominated for the Athena Award, and will be presented the award at the Congress in Savannah.

Proposal: Jan Gehl to be approved for the Athena Award

Motion: to approve by Matt Lewis (Secretary). Seconded by (NAME)

Vote: All in favor, Motion Passes

10. Strategic Plan Update —Presented by Lynn Richards

Discussion: The previous Strategic Plan was about building a solid foundation for the organization. The next one will pivot toward the future with a focus on the vision of CNU and urban issues in the next 25-30 years. Board members discussed takeaways from listening sessions with members.

11. Agenda Preview/ Open Discussion —Presented by Eliza

Discussion: The March agenda will include board member nominations, CNU 28 presentation from Twin Cities representatives, and the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion training.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:00 PM