

## Board Meeting Minutes – 10/23/19

In attendance: Cindy Steffens, Linda Martin, Angela Petsche, Don Vrotsos, Gina Blean, Ashley Weber and Dan Huss.

Absent: Jay Wickhan, Jim Guentherman, Ashley, Dale Snyder, Luis Del Torro, Abbey Degenhardt (staff) and Kim Glaser.

Other: Amy, Stephanie, Stacy and guest Pat Emerson.

The meeting was called to order by President, Angela Petsche at 12:04 p.m.

Introductions are held around the room and Dan Huss is participating via phone.

All action items: September 2019 BOD Meeting Minutes, September 2019 Exec/Finance Meeting Minutes, Bank Statement, October Grant recommendation, ECE Committee Meeting Minutes and Directors Report.

Discussion: add Dan Huss to the attendance record for the September 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

Motion to accept with correction: Ashley W, Second: Linda

### Updates:

1. Gina presented Pat Emerson as a candidate for the board to review and consider. Application is attached and Pat gives us the highlights of her work/life experiences and desire to be a part of the board. The board will receive a formal recommendation and nomination at the next meeting.
2. Long Range Planning Committee: has had one meeting to date and will be looking to meet regularly every three weeks to start the planning and timeline of the needed Strategic Plan. At the first meeting the ECI Needs Assessment was reviewed, the FY 2017-2019 DCEC Strategic Plan Priorities and Goals and suggested timeline. More volunteers are needed for this committee. Please see Abbey or Angela if you are interested.
3. Kids Expo – report given by Stephanie Van Groll of Child Care Resource and Referral/Planning Team member of the Kids Expo: Almost 500 families with almost a total of 2000 persons were in attendance. The weather was somewhat of a deterrent with the number of persons in attendance. Exhibitors, attendees, planning team and board members volunteering express the success of the event again and will be meeting on November 11<sup>th</sup> to discuss and plan for next year.
4. Gala – continued requests for sponsorship are being done. A big thank you to Don Vrotsos for securing 99% of the funds so far raised and his great efforts to continue to advocate on behalf of DCEC. THANK YOU!!! Surveys are attached and also made present at the meeting for board members to start thinking and signing up for volunteer opportunities for the event. Many areas are listed, and forms can be left today here or emailed to Abbey.
5. Program updates are shared by members present

Other: The next board meeting is scheduled for November 27<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon. Request to move the meeting to November 20<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon at Keystone due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Members present are in agreement.

New Business: - none

The meeting was adjourned by President Petsche at 12:46 p.m., Motion by Gina, Second: Dan.

