

Board Meeting Minutes- Tuesday Nov. 19, 2019

Attendees

Guest: Pamela Beeman, left at beginning

Guest: Loki, on minutes

Blake, Patti, Rain, Michael, Wayne (Julia arrived @ 7:15)

Peter on speakerphone

Regular Session: Items 1-10

Executive Session: Items 10-13

Items 1-3

1. Patti needs bank account access, Wayne or _____ needs to call a number that Patti got from bank.
2. Item 12 g added to executive session
3. This is Rain's last board meeting, received departing gift from Blake,
4. Peter is currently deciding whether to commit to another term (their term is up)

Item 4 Consensus Review

1. Consensus culture acknowledgement, having empathy for group and beginning check-ins
2. Consensus workshops possible in future (Board may benefit)
3. Delegation is also important for some decisions
4. Making sure things are getting done, following up on action items, know who is doing what
5. Who will be doing consensus reviews when Rain leaves? Michael will.

Item 5

1. Loki as guest
2. Guest doing minutes is allowed, delegated by secretary

Item 6 Event/Program Committee (Annual Dinner)

1. Michael Brian Rain and Julia need reimbursement
2. 2k spent this year, within expected range
3. Changes to save money discussed at debrief meeting will happen next year
4. 5400 made, profit was relatively low (some profit went towards sustaining center)
5. Rain will give more info to board via email
 - a. Need more people organizing event
 - b. Attendees enjoyed the event, good feedback from them despite hardships behind the scenes
 - c. More info to help next organizers
6. Beneficial to rethink model of annual dinner (date, focus, etc.)

7. Timeline for next event, details that might not be known to organizers (ex liquor license, when it needs to be done)
8. Should do more events before Pancakes for Peace (PP)
9. Campaigns (ex peace vigil) is seen as representative of CPJC, should cultivate relationship (Blake?) to get them more engaged (demilitarism anti-war programs)
10. Community wants to see more activity from CPJC
11. Report on annual dinner (Blake) people's comments
 - a. Antimilitarism
 - b. Racial justice
 - c. Environment
 - d. Appreciation of cpjc existence
 - e. Appreciation of learning experiences/ education aspect of center
12. Blake will write down the comments and share a document for the board
13. Blake will take over as co-chair of event/program committee (previously Rain)
14. Board should familiarize with program

Item 7 People Committee

1. Google Docs went offline, continuation of boards minutes Tuesday nov 19th
2. 5G awareness group wants to do a documentary event
3. Local foods network wants documentary nights too, and group meetings

Suggested indigenous food garden (Comment from Rain- garden cant do that rn)

4. AA has been meeting everyweek, \$50 donations will be upped to 100
5. People Committee- Julia is Chair, nothing to report (nothing happening atm)

Was about conflict resolution (confronting endless war)

Was non-issue when Julia joined the board

Why is there a people committee? Outreach, networking, cultivate involvement

6. Comment from peter- originally an hr committee, renamed to acknowledge people are people, not just resources
7. With Aramenta's departure- figure out who is doing what (board members, officers, volunteers)
8. Michael- Julia is chair in name, but nothing is happening with committee, change required
9. Rain- need a committee, not just the chair of committee (recruitment of members)

Item 8 Patti

1. Cant do anything without going into account

2. Needs to get added on as online user to gain access (one of the signers needs to authorize this)
3. Date to get this done? Friday at 11am w/ Wayne and Patti
4. Blake requested access to be a user (account) sign people up with ACH, 3 day no objection rule occurred
5. Patti volunteered as treasurer,

Blake made a motion to make Patti treasurer

Seconded by Wayne

No objections, unanimous decision to make patti treasurer

Statement of information needs to be done for Patti as new treasurer

Blake- only needs to be done only 2 years

Wayne needs to sign some checks

Only Wayne and Julia are signers, deposits can be made without being a signer

Blake's role with account will be to encourage taking in of contribution, not to allocate expenses or write checks

Item 9- New business

Item 9a

Will Peter continue with board or not? Peter- would like to do another term but there are other things to consider. Term is officially over in December

Rain was suggested to stay til December

Board members can extend their stay if wanted to- suggestion for Peter has time to make decision and can extend stay if wanted

Blake's suggestion- Peter can be a board advisor and have more time to

Two pending board applications will be discussed at exec session

Currently have 5 members, two new pending, need three more

Blake is talking to two other people, some from Spanish, people don't know what it will entail

Blake has been transparent about what's happening, and people are hesitant

Any good fits for the board? Responses:

Wayne- AAFCC attorney, asked to talk with her about it (person lives in Oroville, transportation concerns, she is able to drive) Wayne has committed to pursue this

Rain- People who would be good for board don't have capacity (Michael asks about Stonewall people, Rain says they struggle for board members too) Rain can keep this in mind but doesn't have anyone now.

Note: Rain plans to stay with board until December (when term technically ends)

Julia- no one she knows has the time (Michael: asks about youth at school, Julia: they don't have capacity either)

Patti- three people, two don't have capacity, one is a maybe. Patti will ask Jonah Richman (spelling?), Dan Labar (from Inspire, did submit an application)

Blake- Steve B. from tenants units meeting, bec climate and housing forum (has ideas and time). Blake will meet him on Thursday

Michael- Ron H. from philosophy department, founding member of peace institute campus org (an active org, has met at cpjc before) Ron retired, still active on peace institute

Blake will disclose concerns about Ron in executive session

Item 9b

Questions to figure out: volunteer board director? Etc

This item (9b) will be moved to 12h (executive session)

Peter brings up- Decisions made in email should be brought up in meeting so it goes in minutes, was discussed at last board meeting (open to public section added to 9h)

Item 9h Update from Peter

Termination letter was sent to Aramenta

If you make a conversation email thread, that person is responsible for putting it in minutes

Task to add a regular standing item in agenda- email decisions into minutes

9c Open hours

Update from Blake

A lot of interesting characters coming in

Some people coming in to use space (5g, tenants union organizing group)

Experienced union organizers, Michael is on board, tell Blake to offer them as resource for tenants unit (union brothers and sisters, offer funding and experience)

Michael wants to invite them to first Wednesday of month, can just show up, will be hosted as guest, they can network

Item 9d Newsletter

Increase From 9% to 20/22% open rate for newsletter

Rain- platform for position papers, difficult to get done (hard to get it approved)

News media calls sometimes looking for CPJC's position, people want to know cpjc statements

Can make it shorter and to the point instead of whole position paper- in newsletter (easy content)

Someone from board familiar with subject can quickly do one

Use newsletter to let people know whats going on at cpjc (can get updates from minutes)

Can add- reminder of office hours, news from the center

Goal: 1/week, limit to promoting just a few special events, public comment, center updates

Newsletter didn't do so well when it got very long, gotta keep it short

Return to item 9a (skipped peter earlier)- Leslie Johnson

Comment from Board- Rain: her life is taken over from CHAT. Blake- she's in the middle of a lawsuit

Another idea- owner from Winchester Goose? Green New Deal organizer "Steven" was talked to, Peter will do a follow up with Steven Marquard

Item 9e Lease Request

Must be done in December

Patti will be emailed lease

Length of lease: 3-year lease, no objections

Item 9f

Offer made for fundraiser event

Concern from Blake- CHAT is part of lawsuit

Michael- should respond to offer, they can back out if needed

Rain- should accept offers from others to fundraise for cpjc, Michael agrees

Michael will contact them.

Item 9g- Next Meeting

Michael- plan next 2 meetings due to upcoming holidays

Michael is gone Friday 13th, can't do on 3rd, proposes early December meeting, suggests Tuesday dec 10th

Does not work for Julia, yes for Patti, maybe for Blake

Thursday Dec 12? Does not work for Blake, space is being occupied by AA

Michael- meeting can be done at Michaels house, doesn't have to be at cpjc

Friday Dec 6th? Blake cant

Tuesday December 3rd- works for everyone except Michael, Wayne will run the meeting (will run late)

6:45pm

January Meeting

Michael back on 15th, will be teaching Tuesday Thursday schedule, done at 8pm

Michael requests meetings be changed to 3rd Wednesday- Works for everyone

2020 Standard Meetings Wednesdays 3rd of month- Wayne can't make it until 7pm, when AA is meeting