

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
January 20, 2021, 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm
Zoom Meeting (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86593717564>)

Agenda

- Operations & logistics
 - Communication Fund
 - Staffing
- Committee Updates (if any)
 - Bylaws
 - Finance
 - Houselessness
 - Board Development
 - Land Use & Transportation
 - DEIA Workgroup
- SEUL Programming
 - Next Board Training
- Finances
 - Fiscal Sponsorships – SBNA Request Update
- Agenda for February Board Meeting
 - Rob Nosse, Advocacy request: Emergency Sanctioned Sites for Camping

Updates

Ambar - Hacienda building burned down, families displaced – how can we support? Will ask for what they need

Operations and Logistics

Leah – MaRanda (living at TC) was able to secure housing. Hoping to help raise deposit and first month's rent. Will be emailing board.

- Leroy: Paola posting on social media, staff are committing to donate \$100. Setting up Venmo
 - Leah has been doing great work offering support

Leroy – Communication Funds

- Sent information out to board last week to clarify difference between funds and different types of grants
- Last year we had \$20,000 in total, was distributed by population. We now have \$23,000 (thanks to a decision by the board). We have an opportunity to use our equity lens and find a way to more equitably distribute these funds in SE
 - \$13,000 available for NAs and community groups in grants, plus all NAs get \$500 as base amount (\$10,000)

- Working to avoid having unspent funds leftover
- Program is consistent with adopted board policies and Civic Life Grant
- Encourage NAs to attend workshops
- Tina: suggestion to have video on website
- There is not a requirement to have fiscal sponsorship or be a non-profit
- Tina: committee will add to the Board agenda

Tina – Leroy is leaving due to personal reasons

- Working with Leah to plan transition, promoted to Deputy Executive Director
 - Should be smooth transition with lots of time for planning
- Leroy: Sad to leave, needed to move to be closer to family
- Next meeting: Add Leah as a signer for bank account
- Leroy making recommendation to committee and board that Leah be named interim director, then wait until we have confirmation on funding before looking for permanent director (April-May)
- Sorry to have to leave, but grateful for the opportunity – learned a lot this year and grew as a leader
- Tina: Past director search used an organization that brings in interim directors, bringing in Leah would be much better
- Leah: Leroy has been a better leader and feels confident in stepping up. Feelings won't be hurt if another decision is made
- Ambar: As soon as we have confirmation of our contract with city, we can decide if we are going to search for a new director or promote Leah

Committee Updates

- Bylaws
 - Getting meeting set up
- Finance
 - Meeting rescheduled to next Thursday
 - Working internally with Kris, Leroy, and Leah to talk about policies
 - Need to revise some that no longer make sense for us
- Houseless
 - Meeting on Monday at 5:30 pm
 - Guest speakers from Sunnyside
- Board Development
 - Breakout rooms for socializing
- Land Use and Transportation
 - Just had Jan meeting, orientation/refresher for new folks
 - Hoping to get tips and resources on video for our website
 - Getting feedback
- DEIA Workgroup
 - Discussion about document from Cliff Jones

- Working on next steps, creating action items and a space to share knowledge
- Will be doing more board trainings
- Working on glossary

SEUL Programming

- Next board training: sustainability at home. Ideas?
 - In response to New Green Deal presentation
 - Lotus: Practical everyday information, information on city policies
 - Ambar: Previous training by Oregon Environmental Council and Metro, both have great resources, recommend inviting them

Finances

- SBNA request update: they are taking their request elsewhere

Board Meeting Agenda

- Adding advocacy request from Rep. Rob Nosse – letter was sent to board
- Communications Funds
- Not adding PPS policy changes – doesn't make sense to have that talk yet because of where they're at in the process