

DSANV Board of Directors Meeting

Sunday, Sept 13, 2020 @ 6:00pm

Virtual Meeting via Google Meet

Present: Kim Hudson, Amanda Hunt, Charlotte Woodward, Erin Thompson, David Egan, Marcella Souaya, Samantha Fredieu, Abel Sussman, Sarah Espanol, Robert Di Brienza, and Mary Ford

Absent: Justin Knapp, David Hoffman
6:11pm called to order

Welcome – President Samantha Fredieu welcomed board members
President's report- Our focus has been on Buddy Walk. On the website we can see that we are making progress.

Approvals

- Approved Agenda -David motioned to approve the agenda, Amanda seconded, agenda was approved by the board
- Minutes July 2020- Amanda motioned to approve the agenda, Kim seconded, minutes were approved by the board
- Membership –new families who applied for membership since the last Board meeting:
 - Cristina Luangpinith – Alexandria, VA
 - Cherrah Giles – McLean, VA
 - Gloria Nichols – Alexandria, VA
 - Daryl Smith – VA
 - Yolanda Holman – Washington, DC
 - Motion carried to approve the new members

Executive Director Report – Mary

- Mary briefed the status of Buddy Walk preparations and shared data on the status at this time in years past for comparison

Committee Reports

- Finance: Kim Hudson will be meeting on Friday, 9/18, to review the 2021 budget in preparation for a November board vote
- Development: Marcela Souaya has posted multiple fundraising planning documents online
- Governance: Samantha Fredieu has sent the draft Strategic Plan out for Board member review and feedback

Buddy Walk Raffle:

- Donations are coming in; Samantha Fredieu and Rob Di Brienza shared their list of solicited items with staff. To allow more time for bidding, the raffle will be removed from the Buddy Walk and will be conducted in conjunction with the End of Year campaign to launch in November 2020. A meeting will be scheduled in October to work out details on how to conduct and promote the raffle.

New Business:

- 2020 Holiday Party – Discussion and vote on whether or not to hold a virtual event this year. Suggestions included having a virtual DJ, gifts and talent show, t-shirt sale, perhaps a Self-advocate focus for Holiday Party
 - Motion was raised by Kim Hudson to cancel in person Holiday Party and explore virtual event, membership approved.
- 2020 Year End Campaign – time to start planning the theme and messaging; volunteers

requested

- Board vacancy – Dave Hoffman will resign as a board member but will remain a volunteer

Adjournment: 7:27pm

Executive Session to follow

Next Meeting: 15 November 2020 @ 6:00PM

2020 Board Meeting schedule: 12 Jan, 15 Mar, 17 May, 12 Jul, 13 Sept 15 Nov