

Minutes: DSANV Board of Directors Meeting
Sunday, July 11, 2021 @ 6:00pm

Present:

- Directors - Samantha Fredieu, Charlotte Woodward, Amanda Hunt, , Andrew Humes, Erin Thompson, Rob Di Brienza, Mary Ford, Alain Noriega, Kelly Smith
- Staff Member Guests – Anita Phares, Stacy Engels

Absent: Kim Hudson, Marcela Souaya, Sarah Espanol, David Egan, Abel Sussman

Approvals

- Consent Agenda: July Meeting Agenda; Samantha motioned to approve the agenda; Rob seconded
- May 16, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes: Samantha motioned to approve the minutes and member applications; Amanda seconded:
 - Rachael Herndon, Annandale, VA
 - Sarah Gardner, Potomac Shores, VA
 - Branch Echols, Leesburg, VA
 - Izzie Taveras, Arlington, VA
 - Paola Aguilar, Burke, VA
 - Cherra Giles, Vienna, VA

Executive Director Report

- Mary introduced two of the four-person staff: Anita Phares, and Stacy Engels; each provided a short overview of their role and responsibilities
- Mary shared an update on the status of the DSANV 2021 Buddy Walk® and announced that registration is open for the 2021-2022 Learning Program; DSANV is slowly starting to introduce limited participation in-person events (as members support)

Committee Reports

Finance Committee – Mary presented for Treasurer Kim Hudson – the Finance Committee met on June 24, 2021 to review (and approved) an update to the 2021 Operating budget which includes the hiring of two temporary part-time staff members: Director of Family Support, and Director of Business Development; Board members approved the revised budget, and hires, by an e-mail vote

Development Committee – Mary reported for Marcela that a virtual Spring picnic was held in May, Quarterly playgroup sessions are happening. Self-Advocacy webinars are going strong.

Old Business

All Directors are requested to create a Buddy Walk® team and fundraise

New Business

- Justin Knapp stepped down as Vice President; Charlotte Woodward volunteered to assume the Vice President role
- All Directors are requested to follow the new DSANV LinkedIn account to help identify new members, donors and sponsors

No Executive Session