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DSANV Board of Directors Meeting

Sunday, May 15, 2022 @ 6:00pm

<https://meet.google.com/yzy-egzg-ztk>

Welcome
Approvals

Meeting started at 6:01pm:

Board Members present: Charlotte Woodward , Amanda Hunt, Samantha Fredieu, Kim Hudson, Marcela Souaya, Audrey Reinke, Kelly Smith, Rob Di Brienza, Sarah Espanol, Andrew Humes, Alain Noriega, David Egan. **Staff member:** Anita Phares

Consent Agenda:

- May 15, 2022 Meeting Agenda- **Agenda unanimously approved**
- March 13, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes- **Minutes unanimously approved** (correction to Marcela's name spelling)
- Membership Applications: - **Unanimously approved**
 - Kelly Pabst - Fairfax
 - Andrew Peterson - Dumfries
 - Zaida Ramos - Woodbridge
 - Ghulam Lashkari - Sterling
 - Kevin Trent - Centreville
 - Christine Solar - Lovettesville
 - Marisol Sanchez - Orange
 - Deborah McDaniel - Springfield

Director of Operations Report – Anita

- Recap of ongoing staff work/programs: RelationShapes, Bingo continues with Washington Speech, some bingo meetings are with Service Source in person, Young Men's Service league has a Friday night bingo game, New Parent breakfast at Nottaway Park was well attended, planning for indoor in July, Advocacy program,
- Learning programs: Staff are talking about having more meetings in-person with self-advocates, etc.
- Upcoming: smoothies, reading program this summer, summer book clubs and challenges, parent mentor training.
- Recap of Spring Sprint- fantastic event! Good turn-out, great location.

President's Report - Samantha

- Recap of Membership Meeting on May 1, 2022- Our bylaws require having a meeting in April or May- vote on members of Board of Directors, which was virtual, was not well attended this year. We failed to have a quorum. Samantha reminded the board that we should tie the membership meeting to a spring event, ideally not an event that people would have to pay for.
- Jennifer Cunningham is still working on the audit
- Global Down Syndrome Foundation event at David's house was a great success
- Global Down Syndrome Foundation Acceptability Gala Tuesday May 24- please refer to email regarding volunteering

Search Committee Report and Recommendation – Samantha

- **Motion to hire Matt Reinke as Director of Development – Unanimously approved.**

Committee Reports

- Finance and Governance
 - 2021 Financial Report – Samantha- referred to P&L Actual vs Budget 4/30/22, attachment
 - Highlights from Kim: This budget reflects that our position is stronger than last year. Including income from Fun Run; however we have not looked at our expenses etc. regarding the Buddy Walk
 - Board Member terms discussed – vote on extended terms for David, Erin, and Charlotte- Propose a bylaw amendment for self-advocates to stay on for more than two consecutive terms, if they so choose. Term limits would not apply. Samantha made the motion, second by Kim. **Unanimously approved.**
 - Officers-Samantha is president, Kim is treasurer, Sarah is secretary. VP is open. Alain noted that he is willing to consider the position and will discuss this with Samantha.
 - Website- Board members need to send in a headshot and our bios.
 - Bylaws – Discuss amendments for self-advocate Board Members; change of quorum for annual meeting- we may want to talk about future bylaws.
- Development
 - March Play Group Event- super fun playgroup!
 - 5K in May - Recap
 - June 5 event – Marcella has located a free venue with free catering- Farm event, rain or shine, at Sylvanside Farm in Purcellville, BBQ will be provided by Smokin' Willy, 250 cap for attendees. Registration will open soon. Please consider referring our sponsors to organizations that may consider them for corporate.
- Buddy Walk – ongoing event planning committee meetings, please attend if you can
 - Asking for board members to help plan the Buddy Walk with directions of staff. We should set up a committed group of people to split up planning.

- Alain recommended that we should approach the community church for volunteers.

Adjournment to Executive Session

Next Meeting: July 10, 2022

**DSANV July 10 Board Meeting
Sunday, July 10 · 6:00 – 7:00pm
Google Meet joining info**

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/wqp-zvzc-ghc>

Or dial: (US) +1 617-675-4444 PIN: 131 360 105 2595#

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2022 Board Meeting Schedule: Jan 9, Mar 13, May 15, July 10, Sept 11, Nov 13