

HOPE COALITION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meeting Minutes

January 8, 2018

Attending members: Janet Adams, Traci Green, Kris Kvols, Catherine Johnson, Gary Johnson, Marilyn Meinke, Tilton Davis, Barbara von Haaren, Marcy Underwood, Jerry O'Rourke, Roseanne Grosso, Lisa Bayley, Chris Heath

Absent members: None

Meeting was called to order by Chair at 4:18 PM.

Consent Agenda – approved; motion by Roseanne/Tilton 2nd

- Proposed Agenda
- Minutes from previous meetings included in packet
- Staff updates included in your packet. Kris provided highlights.

Agenda Items

Who have you shared HOPE with:

- ❖ Janet shared that an inmate in Goodhue County Jail served his sentence and upon release he had nowhere to go (from Chicago) and had no winter attire. JoAnn came to the jail to meet with him; HOPE provided him a coat and purchased a mega-bus ride to return to Chicago. HOPE's involvement in the jail is key to helping inmates/staff – it is a blessing to have the staff in the facility.
- ❖ Kris shared a story about JoAnn buying a can opener for HOPE and a past client (with negative interactions) purchased it for her and called her "The woman of all of good things."
- ❖ Catherine talked about HOPE and Green Dot program with her family at Christmas. Talked about what to do in uncomfortable situations when we want to intervene but do not know how. Great "bystander work" by Catherine.
- ❖ Tilton volunteered 3 hours at the shelter, described as "most exhilarating" experience. Had to turn one person away because they were full.

Employee Appreciation – No January anniversaries. Kris thanked the Board for the Christmas "Appreciation" gifts; the staffed enjoyed them.

Boards/Committee Reports:

Executive Committee

Minutes from 12/7/17 & 1/4/18 meeting in the Board packet.

Facility Committee

- ❖ No official meeting. December went to look at Hancock School. Consensus: everyone liked it but not the current price of \$699,000. We have received blue print of site but have not received information of heating/cooling costs. This site would require a capital campaign. Classrooms would need to be restructured to office space. Still a zoning issue.
- ❖ Possible collaboration with the 2040 Group. Requested that Barbara join the Red Wing 2040 committee. Barbara requested Janet and Kris' presence. We do not have date for next meeting.
- ❖ Next meeting on 1/18/2018. Committee will meet to develop a list of "what if's".
- ❖ Mayo status is unknown. Concern that this arrangement may be coming to an end sooner than later.

Fund Development – Marilyn provided updates.

- ❖ Met early December with Awareness Committee. For the time being, both committees will remain separate. This could change as our needs change or goals develop.
- ❖ Reminder of banquet coming up; please attend and assist with wine and other donations.
- ❖ Reminder of Child Abuse month and daffodil planting in April. More details to follow.
- ❖ \$10,566.63 raised on Give to the Max day, a significant increase over last year.
- ❖ Reminder of “Calling Party” on January 22nd. Script will be available. The message is “thank you for your support to make our mission real.” Bring your cell phone. Pizza provided. Reminder will be sent, please confirm your attendance so we can order pizza.
- ❖ HOPE presented at BOLD meeting.
- ❖ Next meeting 2/7/2018 at 4:15 PM.

Awareness – Next meeting on 1/11/18. Will provide update at next Board meeting.

Banquet Committee – Meeting tonight following Board meeting.

- Mark your calendars for March 22nd. Share with family, friends or others who would be interested.
- If Board members can donate wine (minimum value of \$15 +) or collect from friends, family, business; our goal is 50 bottles.
- If you have connections with family/friends for donation opportunities, please contact Traci or Linda.

Policy Committee – no further policies to review.

Business Agenda

- ❖ Year end reports. Presentation by Dan Watson.
 - ❖ Dan provided and reviewed “Annual Board Report”
 - ❖ Document is in draft format but numbers are accurate.
 - ❖ If there are other details you want, let Dan or Kris know.
- ❖ Diversity & Inclusion Policy-Marcy motion/Catherine 2nd. Approved unanimously. (refer to packet)
- ❖ Fiscal Sponsorship Policy
Catherine drafted a Fiscal Sponsorship policy to provide guidelines for HOPE. This will give HOPE a general policy to follow for Homeless Committee funding or any other future requests. Will draft separate contract for specific work to be provided as Fiscal Sponsor. Executive Committee will review draft policy at February meeting.
- ❖ Donor Appreciation “Calling Party” on January 22nd. Everyone encouraged and welcome to join us. We will be making calls and possibly working on Banquet invites.
- ❖ Board Volunteer Hours – forms routed to document monthly hours served to HOPE.
- ❖ Strategic Plan Update – no further discussion.

Other Discussions:

- ❖ We have not received the lease from HRA. HOPE is NOT working on a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) since we do not have the lease. We requested these terms be included in the lease. Discussion if MOU is needed.

Next meeting – February 12, 2017, at 4:15pm, Christ Episcopal Church, Red Wing.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 5:49 PM

Minutes submitted by: Traci Green