

October 19, 2016

Meeting Called to Order: 6:24 pm

Present: Steve Longo, President; Judy Gough, Vice-President; Dave Martin, Treasurer; Phillip Smith Jr., and Pamela Cavazos

Absent: Mary Therese Garcia, Secretary (excused), Jerry Grigsby (excused)

Staff Present: Raymond Rodgers, Executive Director

Visitors: None

Approval of Minutes

Board Secretary read the minutes from the last meeting of September 21, 2016. The minutes were approved as corrected.

Officers' Reports

President's Report (Longo):

- The finance report on the 30th Anniversary Celebration of the film "Children of Lesser God" featuring Academy Award winner, Marlee Matlin hasn't been finalized yet but soon.
- As for Direct Ask party it has yet been scheduled but we're getting contributions already so hope we get that set in stone soon.
- DCN (Deaf Community Night) is scheduled for December 2nd at Swiss Park in Newark however we need to come up with names for HAL RAMGER AWARD (1978). DCARA recognizes achievements of outstanding community people. Through the traditional Hal Ramger award, individuals involved in the deaf community are given recognition for their self-less contributions to the community above and beyond the call for duty. BOARD PRESIDENT'S AWARD (1988). Selected by Board President to recognize board member who do outstanding work for the DCARA board and who assist the board president in doing his/her job well. OUTGOING BOARD MEMBER AWARD if any.
- Regarding Deaf Community Center (DCC), an agreement was made to lower the interest rate with the lien holder and several options on the future of DCC is under development.
- We will need to get Ad Hoc committee started on By-Laws revision and other matters. We have two board officers near end of term so an election is needed next month for president and treasurer positions.

Vice-President's Report (Gough): None

Secretary's Report (Garcia): None

Treasurer's Report (Martin):

- Martin have been in touch with Stephen Hlibok regards to the investment account and the Investment Policy. Martin has stated not yet made investment as market, still a bit unstable as well as more desirable to have the Investment Policy in place. Martin has

been working on revision to customize to DCARA. Some information in the standard would apply to DCARA. Martin hope to get that before he comes out first part of October.

- If Agency '16/17' budget is ready from ED Raymond, then we need to approve it. If need to review it, it should be on the google drive. Questions, please email me and ask.
- Again, kind reminder to all start your pledge commitment. New fiscal year has started already if you haven't made your minimum for last year, please get caught up as it is part of your agreed commitment made when signing on as a board member.

Committee Reports

Finance Committee (Martin):

- No meeting this month

Event Committee:

(See Committee Report)

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Reports from DCARA

Executive Director (Rodgers):

(See ED Report from Mary Therese)

Old Business: None

New Business:

MO0101916-1 – (Martin) moved to accept Priscilla Moyers as DCARA Board Member.

Seconded by Gough. Passed

MO101916-2 – (Martin) moved to terminate the temporary schedule for board meeting and revert to original schedule being 3rd Tuesday of the month. Seconded by Gough. Passed

Announcements:

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Meeting Adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Steve Longo

President substituting Mary Therese Garcia, Secretary

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