

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Date: January 14, 2019

Times: 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Board members in attendance: Dale Case, Adam Simantel, Tobi Page, Sarah Nachtigal, Paul Hanford, Brandon Iwasaki Board members absent: EJ Payne

Owners in attendance: Karen Smith, Kimberly Culbertson

Other guests in attendance: **Devin Baldwin** 

1. Welcome: introductions and reminder of ground rules

### 2. Approvals:

- a. Agenda approved by consensus.
- b. Minutes approved by consensus.

#### 3. Updates:

- a. Business Team
  - i. Tobi provided a business team report.
    - 1. Current member count is 409.
    - 2. The board approved a return of equity for a member-owner who moved and had requested that.

#### b. Outreach Team

- i. Hiring an Outreach Coordinator continues to be the #1 priority. The New Year New Member program is underway. Lawn Sign refresh - we are about to order signs, and planning replacement. Wine Tasting 1/27 at Blizzard - please support social media marketing. A book tour event with author John is being considered for the Fall. St. Patricks' day parade is being planned.
- ii. Requests to the board
  - 1. Continue pursuit of Outreach Coordinator hire.
  - 2. An update on 2018 accomplishments and 2019 plans in relation to the brochure timeline. This will help Outreach improve our outbound messages and our ability to answer questions.
  - 3. Budget planning for 2019.
- c. Brand Development Task Force
  - i. Tobi is picking up the relationship with the Beyers going forward and will plan to wrap up any opens and make final payment.
- d. Website Development Task Force

- i. Task force has disbanded.
- ii. Future web site work is happening with Outreach volunteers; with Brandon taking overall ownership for the web site.

#### 4. Existing business:

- a. Broker selection.
  - i. Paul Hanford invited Devin Baldwin as a guest, to join the meeting. Devin gave the board some feedback on our site evaluation checklist.
- b. Legal counsel selection
  - i. We are ready to have a first meeting with Harris Law Firm, to ask about review of bylaws, and, advise us on employment. Sarah will meet with them.
    - 1. Sarah will setup the meeting. Adam and Paul are interested and optional. We can send questions to Sarah ahead of time.
- c. Director elections.
  - i. Adam and Brandon's terms are up for re-election.
  - ii. Director Recruiting
    - We'll pursue a press release and outreach communications about 3 vacancies. Brandon will contact Sam to see if he wants to help with a press release message.
  - iii. Director Elections
    - 1. Sarah with Karen's help, will get the election process going.
  - iv. Annual Meeting
    - 1. We need to move the date of the annual meeting. Our new candidate is Sat April 6th or Sat April 13th.
    - 2. Paul and Sarah are planning.
- d. CBLD
  - i. Tobi will pick up the the conversation with CDS.
- e. Oregon Department of Agriculture Grant
  - i. Kimberly Culbertson volunteered to investigate the opportunity and do a first draft application if it is a fit.
- f. Up & Coming Conference
  - i. The conference is scheduled for March 1-2 in Milwaukee, WI. With workshops and travel it is Wednesday thru Saturday or Sunday.
  - ii. Flights are about \$300. We have \$1000 scholarship won at last year's conference to cover conference fees.
  - iii. Paul and Adam will investigate registration and plan travel.

## 5. New business:

a. There was a board resignation. EJ has resigned. The board appreciates all of the hard work, leadership, and immense contribution she has made to HFC.

- b. This leaves a vacancy, which can be filled by appointment.
- c. Brandon is starting a transition document, and we'll coordinate follow ups on slack.
- d. The board designated Brandon as interim president of the HFC board.

#### 6. Announcements:

- a. Next meeting: Monday, February 11, 2019 -- 6:30 7:30
- b. Executive session, Monday, February 11, 2019 -- 6:00 (no guests, please)

Submitted by: Adam Simantel	Approval date:	
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