

Hillsdale Community Foundation
Regular Board Meeting
August 24, 2020
Zoom conference call

Directors Present: Anne Prescott (chair), Amy Houchen (vice-chair), Eamon Molloy (secretary), Dave Hawkins, Lara Jones, Robin Jensen

Directors Absent: Dick Hausken (treasurer)

Directors Emeritii present: Rick Seifert, Michael Reunert

Guest: Don Baack

Meeting called to order at 7:07 pm

Minutes

One correction: Robin was not in attendance. Amy moved to approve minutes with correction, Dave seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report

Dick reported by email that there were only two activities, \$200 for watering and \$551 for Neighborhood House COVID response.

Neighborhood House COVID Update

Dave reported on the Neighborhood House (NH) meeting earlier this month. Mari was surprised and very grateful for the response and involvement. The COVID Response raised 30% of the NH campaign target. The organization would be thrilled to have us participate in another campaign.

Chris and NH staff described their programmatic activities since the pandemic.

1. The Food Pantry is at capacity in physical space, inventory, and operations. They are delivering food to households at this time. Their span of delivery service expanded based on a request from the Oregon Food Bank.
2. Senior Center has shifted to phone bank and outreach. Labor and funds are the biggest problems
3. The Childrens Programs are trying to program remotely but may need space for certain activities.

Dave asked NH staff how many people they serve within Hillsdale. NH has not analyzed their services data in that way but will investigate how to do that.

Food security and emotional support for children and seniors are much needed right now.

Question was asked on how the funds were used. The campaign funds were used to shift to online and remote staffing.

There was a general discussion about another campaign. Dave expressed concern about contributors having giving fatigue. Is it possible to focus on Hillsdale-specific activities? Were most of the contributors in the campaign from Hillsdale? We need data from NH to think about the next campaign.

Inclusivity Update

Lara reported that there wasn't much to report. She reached out but has not heard back from several people.

Anne asked if we could create an event that addresses the desire to talk about race.

Robin said she has started reading "So You Want To Talk About Race" by Ijeome Oluo. She suggested the board start with this book internally before working on a community event. Rick and Robin will meet to discuss.

Anti-Graffiti

There has been an uptick in graffiti. Multnomah Village has an anti-graffiti team. Richard Stein has been active in graffiti removal. Perhaps it time for a Hillsdale team.

Parking Lot repaving

The parking lot around the building containing All-Paws, Symbiosis Printing etc has been repaved. There was a painted walkway that was not restriped. The original walkway was a Main Street Project. Lara will talk to the property owners about the issue and report back.

HBPA

Eamon reported that there has been no general meeting since February. Don reported that the HBPA board has met a few times and has scheduled a September meeting.

Hillsdale Banners

The eight banners are beginning to wear out. Signs were made at Elmer's. The money was for replacement was approved last year but was not spent. The signs have yet to be purchased. If we do buy new signs they should not be put up before March. Banners need to be insured. Insurance can go through Hillsdale NA and ultimately SWNI.

A related topic, the two Gateway signs are wearing out. Don and Rick will meet to discuss options.

Rick Seifert and Don Baack left at 8:25 pm

Board Recruitment

Terms for Amy, Anne, and Robin are up. Amy is willing to stay. Anne and Robin wants to focus on the stage committee.

COVID has made recruitment very difficult. Everyone needs to think about possible candidates.

Amy made a motion to end the meeting. Robin seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 pm.