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**Board meeting at Sangre de Cristo Electric Association (BV)**

Meeting Minutes: Oct. 24, 2022

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| **Meeting Purpose:**  |
| Invitees/Attendees | Title/Role |  |
| Paul Alexander | Vice Chair |  |
| Connie Callahan | Board Member |  Via Zoom |
| Bonnie Davis | Board Member |   |
| Wendy Hall | Board Member |  |
| Rick Hamilton | Board Member (as of 10/24/2022) |  |
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| Rick Hum | Treasurer |  ABSENT |
| Betsy Dittenber | Executive Director |  |
| Megan Leesley | Chair |  |
| Rachele Vierthaler | Board Member |   |
| John Vandewalle | Board Member |  |
| Laurel Biedermann | Admin. Coordinator |  |

**Guest: Sasha Mitchell is attending to observe the meeting to determine her “fit,” after being invited by the Nominating Committee to join the Board. She will notify Paul in the coming weeks whether she would like to participate or decline the invitation to join the Board.**

**New Board Member Rick Hamilton was welcomed, and introduced himself to the Board with a few details about his skills and experience.**

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| **1** | **Consent Agenda items*** Consent Agenda items were approved as presented.
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| **2** | **Chair Report*** Rick is moving away! Rick and Sue Ann have found a home in New Hampshire. Their house here is already under contract. The Board is hoping that Rick will be willing to assist with Treasurer duties at least until the end of the year. To be determined.
* Executive team positions are unfilled: With Rick leaving, both the Treasurer and Secretary positions need to be filled, especially important for Executive Committee decisions. Continued thought for potential board members is needed by all board members.
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| **3** | **E.D. Updates** – The staff report was distributed as part of the board packet. * Betsy circulated a staffing and task-related survey to board members, using the responses to the survey to determine and allocate staff and resources. Betsy will also distribute the results and responses from the survey to the Board.
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| **3** | **Committee Reports*** Finance Committee
	+ Mason Investments has agreed to take CCCF as a client. Mason specializes in community foundations although their usual investment minimum is at least $10M. They are willing to work with CCCF because they believe in CCCF’s ability for tremendous growth. As part of their services, they will offer CPE workshops in Chaffee for CPAs and attorneys. Their fee structure is 0.75% of the investment dollar value.
	+ The original Grants policy instructed that the Board Treasurer had to approve all grants. The Committee revised that policy to delete the Treasurer’s oversight, with the E.D. approving grants and Executive team members as back up when needed.
* Grants:
	+ 31 applications were submitted for the Fall Community Grants cycle (SCDEA, BlueTriton and CCCF funds). Applications are being reviewed, then the site visits will be completed.
	+ When the funds from the Renewal/Bill Strings concert are received, those funds will go toward an Environmental Innovation grant, with one organization getting all the funds.
* Nominating and Governance Committee – no report other than Sasha and Rick Hamilton.
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* Development Committee
	+ Betsy stressed the important of board members being Champions for Colorado Gives Day and CCCF’s end-of-year push. Champions will push out asks to their friends and contacts.
* Strategic Planning:
	+ An updated draft and questions for CCCF’s stakeholders is now posted for review.
	+ There was a long discussion about who the survey should go to, instead of just CCCF’s stakeholders and a percentage of donors, perhaps a larger subset of all donors to us.
		- Connie and Megan stressed that the objective of this survey is to get feedback from stakeholders already involved with the organization in order to write CCCF’s Strategic Plan more precisely, possibly redefining the areas of focus that were outlined four years ago.
	+ Discussion that the timing is too pressed to get the survey out with the election, and then the end-of-year push and Colorado Gives Day. Decision made to push this project and the survey to January.
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| **5** | **Board Education:** Megan, Connie, and Rachele have completed their Colo Gives Champion page. All pages are live so everyone else can take a look.  |

Wlh 11.23.22; reviewed by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |