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**Board Meeting**

**Meeting Minutes**

11/13/2023

*Commerce Connect Building*

1. **Call to Order 7:09pm**
2. **Attendance**

*Officers:*

[P] Marty Zungia [P] Arthur Nunn [**P**] Morgan Morris [**P**] Jason Johnson

President Vice President Secretary Treasurer

[P] Todd Alan [P] Jordan Braxton [P] Danny Brandt [P] Cassie Counts

[A] Jesse Doggendorf [A] Bryon Endy [E] Beth Goldfinger [E] Matt Harper

[P] Clayton Higginbotham [P] Felicia Jackson [P] Dottie Klenke [P] Frank Nowicke

[P] Shawn Stokes

13/17 Board Members Present

*Coordinators:*

[A] DJ Fults

1. **Changes to the Agenda** 
   * Motion to approve agenda by Shawn, Seconded by Felicia. **Motion Passes.**
2. **Approval of Minutes** 
   * Motion to approve 10.07.2023 minutes by Shawn, Seconded by Dottie. **Motion Passes.**
3. **Board Reports**

Executive Reports:

* + 1. Marty Zuniga – President
       - * Pride Holiday Event: Community

Botanical Gardens had a different vision then what we did for the event, so a tabling event has been created for all LGBTQIA+ organizations that would like to join.

Looking into doing an event with Winter Wonderland at the Park, but they are all booked up for this season.

Pride Brewery of Lights not happening this year.

* + - * + Pride Board Holiday Event

Next board meeting will be at a restaurant for holiday event.

* + - * + Event Software Renewal

Renewed with our software company, this year should be much easier to get vendor and festival related items done, since it was all built out last year.

* + - * + Event Ops/IMS Contracts

The amount of money the Event Ops wanted to do all vendor related items was over our budget. They will just focus food court this year in additional to the other operational duties of last year.

* + - * + Meeting Location

Need to keep an eye on new meeting venue once we move our festival operational checking account over to Together Credit Union.

* + - * + 2024 Pride Festival Map

Working with the city about safety. We will have access to the block of olive street in front of the library next year, where we can have our food trucks, so they are not ruining the parks.

* + 1. Arthur Nunn - Vice President
       - * Stoplight Party 11.25.23

New help with selling Jello shots (Dottie making). Will be asking Royalty to help.

* + - * + Pride 5k Run

Arthur was approached by a community member about doing a Pride 5K, and outlined all the things that would be needed to do such an event. It is a large undertaking so he is asking for a team of people to organize and run. Try and partner with a running company (1stPhorm, fleet feet, etc.).

We need a committee that will work on the logistics and cost then come back to the board. Cassie, Dottie, Clayton and Frank have volunteered.

* + 1. Morgan Morris – Secretary

Updating Microsoft w/ Authenticator

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* + 1. Jason Johnson- Treasurer
       - * Accounts Receivable – All accounts have been paid.
         * Current Financials - ~70k currently

Board Director Reports:

* + 1. Todd Alan | Director of Sponsorship
       - * Sponsorship Roles and Responsibilities

Executive met with Todd about the Sponsorship Decks.

Chain of Command about making sure Sponsorship people are involved in the conversation with events and partnerships.

* + 1. Jordan Braxton | Director of Public Relations & Diversity/Outreach
       - * Possible Survey

Jordan will speak with the organization and get back with us about when we can fill out the 45min survey.

* + - * + Thanksgiving Dinner

Please share, currently 32 dinners so far. A lot of volunteers.

Shopping next Monday

* + - * + USAP Conference

Interpride, 600 people attended. Las Vegas is there next conference Jan 25-28th 2024, Columbia will be host of regional conference, date is TBD.

* + 1. Danny Brandt | Director
       - * No Report
    2. Cassandra Counts | Director
       - * No Report
    3. Jesse Doggendorf | Director of Sponsorship
       - * General Sponsorship Updates
    4. Bryon Endy | Director
       - * No Report
    5. Beth Goldfinger | Director
       - * No Report
    6. Matt Harper | Director
       - * No Report
    7. Clayton Higginbotham | Director at Volunteers
       - * No Report
    8. Felicia Jackson | Director
       - * No Report
    9. Dottie Klenke | Director of Entertainment
       - * No Report
    10. Frank Nowicke | Director of Development & Vendors
        - * DEI Training

Jan Board meeting all board members at 6pm.

* + - * + ~~Board Committees~~
        + Vendor Logistics
    1. Shawn Stokes | Director
       - * Tinseltown Dinner and Brunch 12.15.23 & 12.17.23

Drag brunch at a Christmas event space in Granite City. Ticket cost $50. Promoting the event. Capacity is 150. Pride will pay for shuttle. The event has been around for 3 years.

Coordinators

* + 1. DJ Fults (IT)

1. Old Business
   * Halloween event 100 people attended, and we made $60, this is a FUNraiser.
   * Bar Crawl good attendance. About the same as last year.
   * Ava Max Concert, Marty and Arthur spoke with some of the staff of STL City Soccer for a possible Pride Night Kickoff at the stadium’s plaza.
2. New Business
   * RAC meeting on November16th by Skype.
   * LGBT Veterans Day Contingency wasn’t in the parade this year, need to make sure we keep an eye on this for next year.
3. Adjourn
   * 8:05pm Shawn, Seconded by Dottie