**MINUTES CASA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, AUGUST 11, 2020**

**PLACE: VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM**

**TIME OF BOARD MEETING: 6:00 PM**

**PRESENT: Brandon Moonier; Tammy Ablan; Steve Williams; Melanie Brady; Donna Goede; and Alicia Knickman, Executive Director**

**Excused: Retta “Susan” Tuggle; Sara Govero; Troy Anderson; Marita Anne Marrah, President Emeritus**

**Not Excused: N/A**

1. The meeting was called to order by Brandon at 6:00 PM.
2. Board approved the July 2020 Board Meeting minutes.
3. CASA Program Update:
   1. Losing Judge Missey and will be replaced by Judge Ed Page.
   2. We continue to lose a volunteer here and there due to COVID (mainly due to the school situation and volunteers needing to continue with home schooling as parent/grandparent).
   3. Training class – beginning week of Labor Day and we have 8 people scheduled plus 4-5 pending – planning to split the class for an in-person training with no more than 6 people in the office at a time to maintain social distancing.
4. July Financial Statement – Alicia sent this to the Board with the agenda prior to the meeting.
   1. JF Cash Flow grant will start being used for expenses.
   2. Board approved the July 2020 Financial Statement.
5. Vacation Home Raffle
   1. Planning to start mid-September and will draw once all 100 tickets are sold or no later than November 1st.
   2. May do the drawing on Facebook Live.
   3. Winner will contact vacation homeowner to agree on a mutually agreeable date in 2021.
   4. Alicia is working on a flyer and will launch this on Facebook
6. Poker Run
   1. Saturday, October 10th
   2. Could be managed with social distancing
   3. Flyers have been sent out.
   4. Two possible routes – the longer route takes us into another county with a CASA program. Discussion tended towards avoiding another county and trying to keep the route within Jefferson County.
   5. The Board needs to continue working on T-shirt sponsors; stop sponsors; and baskets/items to raffle off. If Board Members have alcohol they can donate towards an alcohol basket, let Alicia know.
   6. T-shirt sponsors need to be to Alicia no later than September 15th to place the order for delivery in time for the Poker Run.
7. Network for Good is used for specific fundraisers on Facebook (such as the birthday fundraisers) and all proceeds go to the charity (vs. Regular fundraisers where Facebook retains a portion).
8. Strategic Plan and Bylaws
   1. Alicia reviewed updates to the Strategic Plan.
   2. Board “Give or Get” requirement will be discussed at a future board meeting.
   3. Alicia and Martienne will take over the responsibility of building/maintaining of the Board Portal.
   4. Alicia reviewed the Bylaws and noted updates.
   5. Alicia will revise the Strategic Plan and Bylaws based on feedback during the meeting and send the final versions out to the Board to review and approve during the September Board Meeting.
9. **Next Peer Support Meeting is 6pm on Monday, August 31st** – information will go out on the 15th - Guest speaker will be Heidi who is a former foster child and was going to speak at the 2020 Gala that was postponed. Please RSVP if you plan to attend. The meeting will be held via Zoom – RSVP to receive the Zoom link the day of the meeting.
10. Meeting adjourned at 7:59pm.

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