

4CORE Board Meeting Minutes: December 18, 2014

LOCATION Carnegie Building Mtg Room

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Kurt Schneider
Paul Senecal
Werner Heiber
Enid Brodsky
Peter May-Ostendorp
Lew Pratsch via Skype call in
Mary Beth Miles arrived at 3:22 PM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Tom Holcomb
Roy Peterson
Mark McKibben

4CORE STAFF/CONTRACTORS IN ATTENDANCE

Teresa Shishim

GUESTS –

Laura Moorefield, Independent Contractor that used to work for Ecova/ECOs. Now does work for coops doing ‘technical journalism’; also an artist.

Call to order – 3:11 pm with a quorum present.

Introductions took place

OLD BUSINESS

Approve minutes: Peter made the motion to approve the minutes from November 20. Enid seconded. **Motion approved.**

December 3 meeting minutes: The LPEA Round Up Grant was explained- Gregg applied and presented in early September, match requirements have been met, notification to LPEA has been made, and now the check is in the mail. Also Sally Bellarou was not asked to be on the board, she was asked to attend the ad hoc membership committee.

Peter made the motion to approve the minutes from December 3. Paul seconded. **Motion approved.**

NEW BUSINESS

Financial Update

- Funding Commitments- End of November report includes cash about \$7,426, as of today the account has approximately \$20,000. AR was \$19,600 at the end of November, as of today, it is approximately \$6,500. AP are at about \$500 as of today. We will be able to keep our current rate of rent at the West Building, but we lost our sublease of \$300/month. We have secured \$5000 from the City of Durango, \$20,000 for rebates from the City of Durango, and also \$16,000 from the City. The County has unofficially approved our request of \$27,900, Cortez has committed \$500, Newsletter sponsors have committed \$1000. Requests include those to LPEA, BP, Rauschenberg, which total \$100,000, and EPA Environmental Justice for \$30,000.
- Staffing in 2015- ReFuel Colorado is extending the program for six months, paying Sarah’s salary for approximately 12 hours per month. Sarah would like to stay on to do this program. Teresa is resigning after January 1 and she has submitted a proposal for doing Information Hub work as a contractor. She can help with Salesforce CRM knowledge transfer too.

LPEA Board Presentation

Mike Dreyspring asked 4CORE to present to the LPEA board and some of the messages presented resonated with some of the difficulties they have been having internally. There was interest in the Collaborative Summit in 2015, and more activity in Archuleta County. Heather Erb and Jack Turner will

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be representing LPEA on the 4CORE board in 2015. Berman asked for patience as they develop their strategy.

2015 Board Development

A number of people have been approached to be recruited. Chris Caldwell is interested in a strategic planning group, but not necessarily a board seat. Tom met with Sally High from Archuleta County, and she is interested, but couldn't make it today.

Kurt motions to reappoint Werner, Peter, and Paul for another term to the board, as well as including Heather Erb as LPEA's representative for the next term. Mary Beth seconded. **Motion carried.**

Laura will attend the next board meeting and get oriented before committing to run for a board position.

Collaborative Summit Planning

The goal is to engage our funding and municipal partners in order to assess 4CORE's mission alignment. We will be speaking with Will Nedder, who will be facilitating the summit, to plan and discuss the meeting. Nedder's fee is \$2,000 to do the strategic summit and then a strategic board meeting for planning in 2015.

Additional Topics

- Winter Fundraiser- Kurt is going to discuss this with the Membership Ad Hoc Committee.
- ED Search- this will be pushed into 2015, ideally once the Collaborative Summit takes place. Kurt reiterated that he is out of town January 9 – 21. Sarah will be available M,W,F half days starting January 12th. Kurt will be reaching out to potential candidates for educational work.
- We will have enough to operate and to meet our current obligations for at least the first quarter.
- This will also be Enid's last meeting, as she is not volunteering for the next term, so she was thanked for diligence, insistence on detail, and business acumen.

Peter motioned to adjourn at 4:15 PM, Mary Beth seconded. **Motion approved.**

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, January 8, 4:00 – 5:00 pm at the Carnegie Building

Drafted by Teresa Shishim, Program Manager

Respectfully submitted by:
Kurt Schneider, Acting Director