



Mission: 4CORE serves Southwest Colorado by promoting resource conservation, energy efficiency, and renewable energy through education and programs that strengthen the local economy and foster a healthy, sustainable environment.

BOARD MINUTES, 5/28/19

Location: La Plata Electric Association Conference Room

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Heather Erb, Nancy Andrews, Laurie Williams, Rachel Landis, Mike Matteson, and Eileen Dawson (on conference call)

4CORE STAFF: Laurie Dickson, Liz Baker

CALL TO ORDER (Chair- Heather Erb) – 3 PM

CONSENT AGENDA

➤ **Action:**

- Changes to May 2019 meetings minutes
 - Spelling correction - Lee Gurule (4CORE Board member appointed by County)
 - Voted Mike Matteson to 4CORE Board
 - Approved Tim Sullivan for music at Solar Barn Dance
- Minutes approved with above changes

DISCUSSION

➤ Director Reports

- Review of “Good News”
- Laurie D encouraged (confident) about prospects for renewal of Refuel grant
- Group buy – model availability limited, Nissan consulted with Laurie D as to how to get more vehicles!
- About a dozen people at EV Education event on June 4th. Good public service...consider repeating 2 times a year.
- 10th Annual Solar home tour – 2 under consideration in Twin Buttes, maybe Sitter Family Hall.
- Solar Barn dance – Laurie D and Liz made a site visit, feel positive about the location, a rental house on the property will be available for bathroom facilities. Band and Grass Burger lined up. Counting on a live auction (ideas: solar panels, solar RV package, e-bike).
- RL – encouraged Laurie D and Liz look into LPEA solar grants and consider “coaching” potential applicants (non-profits)
- LD – Checkout 4CORE Facebook page
- HE – attended Water Harvesting meeting last week and Laurie D was mentioned positively a number of times!
- Carbon Footprint Challenge – researching apps. RL – consider reaching out to FLC EC, they have looked into a number of different platforms.

➤ Program Report

- HE – note rebates for LED residential lighting still available.
- CARE Program – 0 completed, 13 in cue
 - LD – need to proceed carefully to ensure that Liz’s time is well used. We are in a test phase with this. Liz thinks it could be worthwhile.
- Energy Smart Program – 3 completed, total YTD = 23 (since mid Dec)
 - Positive QC feedback in regards to Robin
 - Discussion of expanding into Commercial
 - Discussions with Empire Electric in progress

➤ Board Development- new board member recruitment

- Potential candidates- Laurie D met with Ryan Huggins => does not have the “band width” to consider at this time
- Review Board Recruitment Matrix – form Board Development seminar that Laurie D attended
 - Use to establish a baseline – identify gaps.
 - Laurie D would like all Board Members to complete and return to her.
 - Outlying community members to broaden our base (Pagosa, Cortez, Silverton)? ZOOM meetings.
 - RL – Pine River Shares in Bayfield...might be good to reach out to them for potential member/constituents names. Liz will follow-up
 - Someone from the FLC (LW replacement)?
 - Current Board members vet new members.
 - RL – can we write a Board Member “job description”? Do we already have? LD – we have an outline for the “ideal” candidate (working board members, connected, time commitment, willingness to fund raise, passion for mission, helping with grants, etc.)
 - LD would like to sit down with a “professional” for strategic planning/board development in November 2019. ED – would like it to be done before 2020 budget preparation.
 - LD – it really helps with other Board Members make the initial contact/meetings and bring in Laurie D as viability develops. Refer to Board Packet on Google Drive.
 - HE will talk to outgoing City Commissioners.
- Fundraiser-
 - Solar Barn Dance & Solar Home Tour-
 - No event coordinator
 - Board duties – see spreadsheet on Google Drive
 - Start round up auction items...
 - “Sponsorship Menu” for Solar Home Tour and Solar Barn Dance in May 4CORE Board Packet.
- Do to list – Think of potential Board members, each current Board Member complete matrix, everybody think of auction items (and how to acquire) and/or potential sponsorships.
- Other
 - ED – Mac Ranch can potentially get free/cheap computers for 4CORE
 - RL – Check out FLC computer surplus sale

TREASURERS REPORT:

- Review current cash flow and financials – ED
 - Purchase of computers – see above
 - Insurance will likely be adjusted down.
 - Tax payment will not be in June. 4CORE has not received a bill.
- Approve financials
 - Approved unanimously

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, July 23, 2019 at La Plata Electric Association Conference Room.

Meeting adjourned – 4:45 pm