



Board Meeting Minutes 02/19/2019

Attendees

Chris Smith
Jessie Olson
Kathy Peterson
Colleen Williams
Audrey Butler
Mark Schueneman
Ken Lenarcic
Chuck Oppermann
Gabe Turek
Colleen Williams
Sean Cronin
Julie Trumpler
Sue Schaufler
Yana Sorokin

Welcome and Introductions

Chris S called the meeting to order at 2:08 and went through introductions.

Public comments on items not on the agenda

Chris S asked for items not on the agenda. Ken mentioned house bills discussed at Jamestown town meeting and provided a handout summarizing the bills.

Approval of Minutes (Chris S)

Sean noted typo.

Kathy moved to approve with corrected typo, Mark seconded to approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Policy Update (Jessie)

Jessie went through all changes and answered questions to Financial Policy (see handout) and mentioned Kathy reviewed draft of these as well before they were sent to the BOD.



Kathy made motion to accept the financial report. Sue seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Business Plan Update (Jessie)

Jessie provided overview of draft business plan outline

- Internal document to define how we market ourselves
- Business Plan typically comes before Strategic Plan and Work Plan, so those may need some edits.
- Purpose is to be able to define and grow our services areas so that we can sustain our organization and have a longer term picture of our organization and our purpose.
- Some elements of the plan are internal exercises and may be viewed as appendices.
- Jim provided his take from the consulting and business development perspective
 - LWOG is offering a solutions set between project, science, outreach, and community development that we can bring to constituent groups
 - LWOG could package as a consultant shop for others
 - Jim wanted to help with corporate outreach and help develop credibility with the corporate community (to think like a business)
 - Jim is referring to co-investment rather than fundraising
 - Business Plan allows us to package this cleanly to bring to co-investors
 - Gabe mentioned the importance of breaking up stakeholder profiles to reflect unique interests, Jim agreed.
- Jessie went through each part of the annotated outline and addressed questions.
 - Discussion focused on how to define clients, relationship to our mission, reaching consensus about we approach the growth question, packaging our solutions set for others, providing external services while maintaining Left Hand identify, organizational longevity, tie to work and funding plan, long term strategic planning retreat, and development of business plan committee.

Community Science Update (Yana)

- Yana provided update on Community Science Project (see presentation)
 - Working with Citsci.org
 - Combination of strategic plan and suite of tools
 - Conducting Stakeholder Interviews
 - Board responded to Question 1. What are common issues/ questions/ knowledge gaps?
 - Board responded to Question 2: What could be improved?
 - Summary of Common Themes
 - Interviews led to separating common themes into three categories: (1) stakeholders, (2) community scientist volunteers, and (3) adaptive management plan
 - Showed slide of common themes and where they overlap



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oversight group

- Introduced first potential project related to emergence timing and BMI
 - It's a good fit because it provides useful data for volunteers (fisherman), for us, and our stakeholders. It provides information related to climate change impacts. It can be done on public and private lands.
 - Board Members discussed project and staff responded to questions.

Forestry Health Update (Jessie)

Jessie provided update about AIM grant potential opportunity.

Adjournment

The regular meeting was adjourned at 4:35 PM.