A.C.B.I. Board Meeting

Teleconference call

July 22, 2017

President Lynn Powers called the meeting to order at 10:10 am. The following board members attended: Rita Kersh, Bill Fierman, Lynn Powers, Gerry Koors, Don Koors, Rich Vonderhaar, John Huffman, Edie Huffman, Cindy Brooking, Don Lane, Bill Sparks, and Mike Bowman.

Barbara Salisbury, Jeff Busch and Deanna Austin were not able to attend. Sue L’Esperance has resigned.

Lynn reviewed the agenda, with the addition of three items: nominating committee report, audit committee report and social media committee report. Don Lane moved, with Mike Bowman seconding, that the agenda be accepted. Motion carried.

In the minutes, Don Koors suggested that the 4th paragraph on page 1 be replaced with the following language: “The IRS currently requires not for profit 501(c)(3) organizations with $50,000.00 or less income to annually file the electronic  990-N  ePostcard report.  ACBI’s report is due by May 15th or before.  I [Don Koors] will file this year’s report.  The Indiana Business Entity Report is due to the Indiana Secretary of State by April 1st.  Starting this year the report will be due every 2 years.  I [D. K.] filed the report in March, 2017 and the next report will be due March, 2019.  The filing fee is $10.00 per year.” Don Koors mentioned that he had reviewed the treasurer’s report after the last board meeting and this meeting’s report will reflect corrections. The minutes were approved as modified.

Rich Vonderhaar then presented the treasurer’s report. The Fifth Third Bank funds were transferred to Chase accounts, closing Fifth Third Bank account. Total income was $732.38, total expenses were $805.32. The Chase checking account balance was $4,963.02, Chase savings account balance was $8,779.24 for a total in Chase of $13,742.26. The Hilliard Lyons (as of Wed., July 18) one balance was $23,129.65, account two (Hofstetter) $21,874.19, account three (Dobson) $3,227.30 for a total of $48,231.14 in Hilliard Lyons accounts. Rich will double-check numbers with Hilliard Lyons, as there remain questions about reporting. Investments were discussed, as Don Koors mentioned that the amount of interest is miniscule, reducing income. Rich will investigate interest rates, bring the information back to the officer, who could then take action to make investments. Mike moved, with John seconding, that the report be

approved with corrections needed after investigation; motion passed.

ACB National was discussed briefly. Corporate sponsors donated over $300,000 for the convention. It will be held in St. Louis, Mo in 2018.

The nominating committee will consist of Gerry Koors, Jeff Busch (to be asked by Lynn), and Cindy Brooking. Gerry listed the following positions and their status for election:

President Lynn Powers can be elected to 3rd term (served 2 of 3)

Vice-President Barbara Salisbury can be elected to 3rd term (served 2 of 3)

Secretary Edie Huffman can be elected to 2nd term (served 1 of 2)

Treasurer Rich Vonderhaar can be elected to 2nd term (served 1 of 2)

Board member Deanna Austin can be elected to 2nd term (1 of 2)

Board member Jeff Busch cannot be re-elected and must be replaced 2 of 2)

Don Koors finished 2 years of Rich’s term and can be re-elected (1 of 2)

The audit committee report was sent to board members. None of them could attend today, so it was suggested that they present it at the next board meeting. Rich mentioned that the report said that 1) everything is ok, money is intact, 2) suggestions/recommendations for further action.

Social media was discussed. Bill asked to hear from Rich and Ted Boardman, so they could plan a meeting in late July. He is hoping to meet with 2 vendors, possibly a 3rd. He thinks a new, inexpensive and accessible website can be easily built. He said that they could present a report, with a recommendation, at the Oct. board meeting. Facebook will be incorporated with the website, tied-together.

ACBI/ACBO Ohio convention is pretty well set. They need some help with technical program, which Bill Sparks will do. Question about transportation; whether we could subsidize transportation. Possibility of hiring a bus (have to have enough-50?); whether we could afford it. At this point, we have 8 from Circle City; 8-10 from SCAVI; n/a Heartland. Cindy checked with one bus company, which quoted $4,675 plus driver’s hotel room and 10% (of rental price) tip. Another suggestion would be to help chapters with the cost of a van. Lynn will call for a meeting in 30-40 days to finalize decision on what kind of transportation to get and how much it would be subsidized. Can we say, if we have x# of people going, we will get a full -size bus for all attendees. or subsidize smaller van for each chapter?

Don Koors moved, Bill Fierman seconding, that ACBI subsidize renting vans for each chapter, with x seconding. Lynn asked that motion be made covering two eventualities. Mike offered an amended motion, Bill Fierman seconding, saying that if there were less than 30 people, that ACBI would subsidize a van for each chapter; if there were 30 or more commits, then we would rent a full-size bus. The motion passed.

Vendors for the convention will include ACBI and other Hoosier vendors as solicited by Rita.

Focus deadline is August 30.

SCAVI is starting a partnership with local schools to help provide information to families with a visually impaired child.

John moved, with Mike seconding, that ACBI sign on to a letter regarding the order of selection by August 1.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Edythe Huffman

Secretary

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