

Minutes from Board Call 10-11-17 (in Blue)
10:00 a.m. MST

Present: Shelley S (ED), Carrie K (Assoc Dir), Caroline M (Pres Bd); Bd Members: Carl R, Rynda C, Julie W, Mary O, Cristina H (Treas), Antonia D (Sec)

Old Business

- Discuss and approve Board Call Minutes from June 21st *Approved by Bd.*
- Discuss and approve Annual Retreat Minutes held August 12 -16 in Durango, Colorado *Approved by Bd; confirmed to be version marked "with ED edits".*

New Business

- Treasurer's Report and any discussion of the budget for final approval. *Cristina reviewed "aspirational budget" for 17-18 at ~\$616K – more revenue expected – end of 9/30/17 is not yet in – looks like ~ \$38 K ahead in income and ~ \$27 below expenses for ~\$65 K ahead. Wages up ~\$66K for 17-18 (Development Coordinator, start Nov/Dec '17 and ½ time Grassroots, start Jan '18). \$156K "carryover" provides cushion.*

Shelley describes health insurance options: \$400 for staff toward their policies is rolled into base pay. Nov 1 marketplace opens; deductible down to ~ \$3K from \$5K; \$250-300/mo paid by employee. YES, this is reflected in current budget.

- Brief summation and discussion on the distinction between Board and Staff Jobs (Caroline).
- *Board is visionary; defines and redefines reasons for GOB existence; values; mission; Policy Development; are "owners", not managers. Mary clarifies Bd is legally responsible for financials. Bd is representative of members.*
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- Committee Goals & Check-in. ***Each committee chair can summarize the goals of the committee as they see them moving forward and any progress to date.*
- *Committees bring in new ideas/guidance/input – not decisions – to staff, which has more info, day-to-day*
- *Carl: Sustainability Comm. – refers to draft of responsibilities – asks, how do we determine to take on an "issue" (like grazing)? Criteria? Mary suggests one call for one area - prioritize*
- *Rynda: Program Comm objectives sent last week; queries objectives, outcomes, function of staff; will consult with Lauren & Lionel for input – what do they want/need?*
- *Litigation (Caroline): is reactive now; informs SP; where do we have "clear standing"?*
- *Exec Comm will discuss charges on 1st call*
- *Cristina asks about Membership Comm; Reports to Bd, with Shelley.*
- *Caroline: will send out agenda before, then send out notes after meetings*
- *Mary suggests One document re: committees and members*
- *** Conclusion: 1st call for each Committee will clarify (2 or 3) goals for this year- further calls will discuss progress – Target Date for Descriptions is Nov 11 – send to Caroline. Cristina will send out old descriptions. Goals will be set after that.*
- *Ad Hoc Committees: SP (Carl), done by end of year; and Effective Activism, will compile operational definitions (Mary, Chair)*
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- Walden Woods Project – 2017 Global Environmental Leadership Award briefing on event and discussion of how to incorporate or bring this honor forward to membership and potential donors (Antonia, Rynda, and Shelley). [Award ceremony was a great experience and success. We have a banner, on Facebook; working on how to bring forward to donors; suggest send Broadsides to all contacts \(Tom Jones, MA Rep., Whitney, etc\). Stay connected. More publicity when photos arrive.](#)
- Auction update – where we are on donations (Carrie). Also, discussion of board asks or ideas to increase either value of auction contributions or potential bidding (Caroline). [Auction value goal is ~\\$100K; need lots of bidders – each Bd member put out to networks; \(promote unique auction, home stays, etc\)](#)
- Auction Listing/Editing – During the last two weeks of October, Peggy needs help from any board member who can proof read different categories of auction items, similarly to past years. [Decide to have Peggy assign each Bd. Member a section to proof-read asap. Before Oct 30.](#)
- Advocacy update – Monuments, etc. (Shelley)
- ED report. [Review link to oppose bill 3990 re: National Monuments to alter Antiquities Act. Positive bills re: fossil fuels, and Sen. Bennett’s cost of carbon – calls for across all agencies: social, scientific, etc. Pollution Transparency Act](#)
- *Questions, comments, feedback to staff
- *Highlights (Shelley)- [Highlights \(Shelley\) – 1. Litigation victory after two decades on Elko County, Nevada right-of-way claim to South Canyon Road, on the border of the Jarbidge Wilderness. Broads and The Wilderness Society forced the issue. County may still appeal. 2. Preparation for litigation on reduction of National Monuments – Broads working with a coalition of conservation groups represented by Earthjustice. Steve Allen will be our standing litigant for Bears Ears and/or Grand Staircase-Escalante.](#)
- Other: [Joe B offered additional \\$5K + friend’s \\$2500 for Staff bonuses for this year only; to be distributed equally.](#)

Next Board Call: Dec 11, 2017 – 12 MT (Julie will not be available)
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- Adjourn: 11:30 or sooner [Approved by all](#)

Respectively submitted,
 Antonia Daly, Secretary
 10/11/17

(Resubmitted 10/23/17 with some ED edits in “Highlights” and date of next call – thank you!)