**Village Connections**

**Board Meeting**

**Thursday December 10, 2020**

**6 PM**

**Virtual Meeting via Zoom**

**Welcome**

The meeting was called to order by President Kim Cowie at 6:00 pm.

Members present: Pam Albrecht, Kim Cowie, William Curlis, Ed Elberfeld, Betty Garrett. Brenda Gischel, Ken Hungler, Edna Menke, Jim Plunkett, Fran Schneider, and Carolyn Workman. A quorum was present.

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Attending: Donald Wiggins, Executive Director, and Jillian Davis, American Corps Vista

Program

***Approval of October 2020 minutes***

The president, Kim, presented the minutes of October 29, 2020.

MOTION: Approve the October Board Meeting with several changes in the Financial Report.

Motion approved

(Bill Curlis, Carolyn Workman)

***Approval of Financial Reports December 10, 2020***

Jim presented the financial report that have a balance of $136,247. This includes $28,894 Checking account in the fast-track business, $100,511 in the Huntington Business Premier, and $6842 in the Business Premier Savings. Also have $4206 in restricted funds,

MOTION: Approve the December 10 financial report.

Motion approved.

(Bill Curlis, Ken Hungler)

The total income for 2020 was $72,000 more than the previous year.

Jim presented the proposed budget for 2021.

MOTION: Approve the proposed budget.

Motion approved.

(Bill Curlis, Jim Plunkett)

***Committee Reports***

***Marketing Committee Report***

Edna reported that the committee has not met as a group since the Impact Report 2020 was completed and sent to members, previous donors, partner agencies, business partners, and community partners. Kim developed the Annual Appeal letter that was sent on November 15 to prospective donors. Donald developed the marketing materials for the Giving Tuesday December 1, Home Instead Senior Care fund raiser. The goal for Giving Tuesday is $25,000. Donations can be made through the Annual Appeal and/or Giving Tuesday. Anticipated that some people would make donations to both. Jillian is continuing with developing the monthly newsletter and other emails regarding Village Connections.

***Membership Committee Report***

Ed reported that now have 220 members. Some previous members did not renew their membership; however, recruited some new members so the total number remained at 220. Some of the committee members meet in November and December. December is when many of the social members need to renew their memberships.

***Service Committee Report***

The service committee provided fall yard clean up for service members with the assistance of 25 volunteers. The committee wants to recruit more volunteers. The Thanksgiving meal delivery went well thanks to Kim and Jim Cowie. Service members were delivered quilts, pillowcases, and hot chocolate delivered early in December.

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***President’s Report***

Kim is in the process of developing the 2020 Village Connections Report that will submitted by the end of the year. She indicated that the goals in the Strategic Outcome Causative & Verifying Milestones have been met for year four and some that are in year 5 (2021). Village Connections, the Short North group, and the Clintonville/Beachcroft group are not receiving funding this year. Monies are being given to newer villages.

***Executive Director’s Report***

Donald reported that to date with the Annual Appeal letter have received $22,000. In terms of the GIVE65 Tuesday some donations have been made that as a total is more than the Annual Appeal donations. The total amounts for each will be completed before our next meeting. He wants to develop a plan for legacy gifts for Village Connections. Already have received a donation of $25,000 from someone. He wants to get some other members involved with the logistics of the legacy gift implementation.

***VISTA REPORT***

Jillian reported that the phone tree is going well with members, the Monday Walking Club is still on hold, involved with many of the service members, assisting members who are eligible to get COVID-19 vaccinations set up appointments, monthly newsletters, and working with Donald on a variety of things. Last week with the unexpected snow she was able to recruit 20 volunteers for snow removal for some members that day. She is planning to meet with some of the other villages.

***Old Business***

Bill Curlis and Jim Plunkett are continuing to refine some items in the approved 2021 budget.

***New Business***

None

***Adjournment***

The business of the Village Connections having been concluded the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

**MOTION**: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made.

Motion was approved.

[Brenda Gischel. Ken Hungler]

Respectfully submitted,

Edna M. Menke

Attest:

Kimberly Cowie