

Village Connections
Board Meeting
Thursday February 22, 2018
6 pm
German Village Meeting Haus

Welcome and Updates

The meeting of the Village Connections Board was called to order by President Kim Cowie at 6:00 pm at German Village Meeting Haus, 588 South Third Street, pursuant to a call of the meeting.

Members present: Bill Curlis, Kim Cowie, Ed Elberfeld, Brenda Gischel, Edna Menke, James Nichols, Jim Plunkett, Frances Schneider, Meg Teafor, and Carolyn Workman. A quorum was present.

Attending: Kristen Schweitzer, Executive Director

Approval of Minutes of December 18, 2017

The President, Kim, presented the minutes of the December 18, 2017 Board meeting.

MOTION: Approve the December 18, 2017 minutes of the Board Meeting.

Motion approved.

[Curlis, Workman]

Financial Year End Report for December 2017.

Jim Plunkett, Treasurer, reported that December 31, 2017 had a balance of \$33,903 in the checking accounts and \$9,743.39 in restricted funds for a total of \$43,646.39

MOTION: Approve the financial end of year report of December 31, 2017.

Motion approved.

[Curlis, Elberfeld]

The financial report from January 1 to April 26, 2018 will be presented at the next board meeting.

Committee reports:

Kristen had distributed a summary of the committee reports.

Marketing Committee

Paula (Chair), Kim, Kristen, and Jennie met in January to begin to address engagement of current members. The next meeting will be on March 20, 2018.

Services Committee

Barb Elberfeld is the new chair of the committee. She is sending an email to all volunteers that are interested in snow removal and yard work. Barb has formed an affinity group that focuses on crocheting that will meet the first time on March 2, 2018.

Membership Committee

Ed indicated that have exceeded the membership goal of 75 members as of February 22 have 79 members. In addition to recruiting more members, the committee is focusing on member retention. A short form has been developed to use with recruitment of social members instead of the long form to become a regular member.

Policy Committee

Meg presented the February 2018 Village Connections Draft of the Employee Manual. There were some suggested revisions that Meg will incorporate into the Employee Manual and then will send to Kim for formatting of the Manual. At the April 26 Board meeting a motion will be made to approve the VC Employee Manual.

Fundraising Committee

Betty reported that there were 59 individuals/households that donated to the Annual Appeal compared to 41 donors in 2016. The total amount of monies

donated in the annual appeal was \$13,025 compared to \$13,945 in 2016; however, we were successful in the recruitment of more social members.

An annual report is being developed to send out to donors and members of Village Connections.

The Beach Party BBQ is February 24 and to date have sold 57 tickets.

Some other fund raising activities are scheduled including Village Valuables, happy hours, and Kroger Rewards.

Presidents Report

Kim provided an overview of the Beach Party BBQ plans that included the raffle gifts, all the donated gift cards, catering, and the alcoholic beverages.

Executive Directors Report

Kristen had provided copies of her report, working with the other two villages and Age-Friendly Columbus, planned social events for February through June, and, a Village Connections directory. She reported that the Franklin County Office on Aging 2018 grant was officially approved for \$32, 736.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Adjournment

The business of the Village Connections having been concluded the meeting was adjourned at 7: 05 pm.

MOTION: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made.

Motion was approved.

[Curlis, Plunkett]

Respectfully submitted:

Edna M. Menke

Attest:

Kimberly Cowie