

**Board of Directors Meeting and Annual Dinner  
December 12, 2019**

**Present:** Rebecca Neuman, Dave LewAllen, Dan Flynn, Howard Goldman, Kevin Schnieders, Steve Neiheisel, Greg Anderson, Shannon Anderson, Julie Nicholson, Janet Dobson Vernier, Ted Plafchan, Dominic Mocerri, Kathi Hunt, Norm Hunt, Russ Shelton, Kathy Shelton, Rebecca Martines, Kelly Collins, George Miller, Ray Lagrou, Brenda Moore, Ingrid Todt, Kristen Pontz, Kim Tomlinson, Jessica Prucknic and Megan Phelps

**The meeting was called to order by Vice President Neuman at 7:37pm.**

**Approval of Meeting Minutes of September 19, 2019**

Mr. Anderson motioned to approve the Board of Directors Meeting Minutes of September 19, 2019. Mr. LewAllen seconded the motion; the motion was approved unanimously.

**Committee Reports**

**Finance Committee**

- Treasurer Flynn reported on the October Year to Date Financial Statements. There is [REDACTED] in cash and [REDACTED] in the Endowment. This is fantastic compared to previous years.
- The Patterson Tribute brought in [REDACTED] and two different trust donations brought in [REDACTED]
- There was substantial savings in the Wish Department both because of timing and because of working with new partners to keep costs low.
- Mr. Anderson motioned to approve the October Year to Date Financial Statements. Mr. LewAllen seconded the motion; the motion was approved unanimously.
- Treasurer Flynn reported on the 2020 Proposed Budget. There is a slight increase in year end. The Walk for Kids budget has been lowered due to decline over the years. All other events have been increased. This budget balances to zero.
- Mr. Anderson motioned to approve the 2020 Proposed Budget. Ms. Dobson Vernier seconded the motion; the motion was approved unanimously.

**2020 Slate of Officers**

- Mr. LewAllen shared that the Executive Committee would like to remain the same positions for an additional year. Mr. Giacalone will remain as President, Mrs. Neuman will remain as Vice President, Mr. Flynn will remain as Treasurer and Mr. Anderson will remain as Secretary. Vice President Neuman will move into the presidency role in the future.
- Mr. LewAllen motioned to approve the 2020 Slate of Officers; Ms. Dobson Vernier seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
- Mr. Mocerri inquired about how many open Board Member positions are currently available. ED Miller said that there are two available positions. Mr. Mocerri will be nominating an individual with the goal of introducing him to the Board in May.

## Executive Director's Report

- Mrs. Phelps shared a video with pictures from 2019.
- ED Miller reported on 2019 at The Rainbow Connection. Highlights include Detroit Uncorked, a new partnership with [REDACTED] Dairy and major successes in Community Events.
- 150 wishes were granted 2019. The Wish Department began to pre-pay for wishes occurring in 2020. The wish family picnic was a success and the holiday party is this weekend. Kroger has donated many baskets and gifts to wish families for the holiday season again this year.
- New partnerships have been huge for TRC this year. Detroit Uncorked brought in a new partnership with the [REDACTED], Emily Gail and the Detroit Wine Organization. Heritage Oaks provided the new landscaping with donated services amounting to [REDACTED]. Mike Genter of Roura made a [REDACTED] purchase new computers for staff.
- Mrs. Todt and ED Miller presented to a wish organization out of Hurley Hospital. They have disbanded and are giving 100% of their funds to TRC. This is a donation of [REDACTED] for wishes.
- ED Miller thanked the Board and staff for their continued hard work and dedication to the success of the organization.
- ED Miller is looking forward to kicking off the Capital Campaign early in 2020 and will provide more information at the first Board Meeting.

Mr. Anderson motioned to adjourn the meeting; Ms. Dobson Vernier seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:21pm.**