

GALA

Board Meeting Minutes

October 4, 2016

6:00 p.m.

I. Daniel called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. In attendance were Clay Marsh, Willie Semel, Ryan Duclos, Sarah Flores, Daniel Taylor, Cheryl Flores, Robert Kinports, Miles Garcia, and Tammy Cravitt. Also in attendance were Center Coordinator Carlos Romero, Tauria Linala, Will Hills, Cory Schonauer, Matias Bernard, Stephanie, and Natalie.

II. Speakers

- a) Matias Bernard from RISE spoke about the resources RISE offers and how GALA can partner with RISE to serve the needs of the LGBT+ community.
- b) Will Hills spoke about a local youth who needs assistance returning from conversion therapy. Robert moved to use GALA as a repository for donations to assist the person

to return to the SLO area and get back on his feet. Donations up to \$1500 total will be used to help him return. Ryan seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

- c) Cory Schonauer spoke about a member in the community who was a victim of a hate crime back in 2012. Daniel, Tammy, and Cory will work to create a protocol for GALA should an event like this happen in the future.
- d) Stephanie from LVX Lounge spoke about possibilities for GALA to use their venue in north county.

III. Daniel gave his President's Report. Ryan moved to approve a GALA sponsorship (Up to \$300 of either donations or GALA funds) of the ASN Walk for Life, with Cheryl leading the organization effort. Sarah seconded it. Motion passed unanimously. Daniel will start planning the GALA Holiday Party. The Town Hall meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 7th.

IV. Carlos gave his Center Coordinator's Report.

V. Sarah moved to approve the September Meeting Minutes, seconded by Tammy. Motion passed with three abstentions (Robert, Sarah, and Cheryl).

VI. Tammy moved to approve the August Financials. Will seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

VII. GALA Group Committee Reports

a) Ryan spoke about the Q/R Youth Groups.

b) Tauria spoke about Senior Advocacy. SA will purchase computer equipment (funds were approved earlier in the year).

c) Tauria and Tammy spoke about TCC. A retreat for TCC is scheduled for November, and TCC members are working together with SLOLOCK.

d) Robert will have the final PRIDE breakdown at the November meeting.

VIII. Old Business

a) Roof Repair Fundraising is going well. One last push will be done to raise the remaining funds.

Daniel will talk to Ethel regarding a joint fundraiser/Art After Dark.

b) Drag Cabaret is still on hold.

IX. New Business

a) The Live Scan Reports of Allen West Dailey, Margaret Lee Jones, and Malinda R. Lodge passed.

b) Board of Directors Nomination Period will close on Friday, October 7th and ballots will be mailed the week of October 17th.

X. Ryan moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

XI. Closed Session