

GALA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: Tuesday, February 5, 2019
Time: 6:05pm
Location: 1060 Palm St., San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

1. Call to Order:

President Rob Diaz: called the meeting to order at 6:14pm. **Quorum.**

2. Roll Call:

Present: Rob Diaz (President), Jeff Eckles (Treasurer), Doug J. Heumann (Secretary), Margaret Jones, Jane Lloyd, Denise Taylor, Dave Weisman (conference call), Tiana Dorsey (Youth Representative)

Guests: Lynn Schmidt (GALA Art Curator), Jamie Woolf (Tranz Central Coast Chair), Sam Byrd (Cal Poly), Mary Waters (D&D Game Group)

Absent: C.J. Gormley, Stephanie Rescan

Staff: Michelle Call, Executive Director

3. Speakers

3.1 Seeking Appointment as Board Member – McCarthy – 6:10pm
Absent

3.2 D&D Game Night – Mary – 6:11pm
Mary requested that she be allowed to restart the D&D Game Night at the Center. Rob will contact her to discuss. One consideration is that Center slots are at a premium at this time.

3.3 Introduction – Sam Byrd – 6:15pm
Sam started at Cal Poly in June of 2018 as Assistant Director of Cross Cultural Centers -- sex & gender consultant re: LGBTQIA+

3.4 SLO International Film Festival – Taylor – 6:11pm
Suggested that GALA may wish to sponsor short film (25-30 min) "TransFormations" for this year's festival (March 2019). Fee is \$750. Discussion—Board decided that this year's budget will not permit this sponsorship. Taylor will send trailer in case any member is interested in sponsoring.

4. Action/Information/Discussion

4.1 Board Strategic Planning Meeting – Diaz/Call – 6:25pm
Meeting was held on Sunday January 13, 2019 at Embassy Suites from 9:30am – 2:30pm. Facilitator was Adrienne Harris, a consultant with SPOKES. Assignments: Strategic Plan Captain (Diaz); Mission Statement (Eckles); Vision (Gormley), Values Statement (Woolf), Celebration (Stephanie-resigned, need new lead)

President's Open House – quarterly: March 30th 1-5pm, May/June; Aug/Sept; early Dec

4.2 Approval of January Board Meeting Minutes – Diaz – 6:36pm

January Minutes – SERVIN, Weisman pointed out his name misspelled in Item 4.2

Diaz presented the January Board Meeting Minutes for approval. Eckles made a Motion to Approve and Taylor seconded. The Vote regarding the Motion to Approve the January Board Meeting Minutes PASSED with no opposition, no abstentions.

4.3 December Financial Report/Budget/Edward Jones – Eckles & Call – 6:35pm

Eckles presented the December Financial Report (reconciled) for approval. Heumann made a Motion to Approve and Taylor seconded. The Vote regarding the Motion to Approve the December Financial Report (reconciled) PASSED with no opposition, no abstentions.

Eckles presented the 2019 Budget for approval. Taylor made a Motion to Approve and Lloyd seconded. The Vote regarding the Motion to Approve the 2019 Budget PASSED with no opposition, no abstentions.

Call discussed Edward Jones Accounts – need a Board resolution stating:

a. Removal of Duclos & Gormley as authorized signatories on the Edward Jones accounts

Diaz made a Motion to Remove Ryan Duclos & Christopher J. Gormley as authorized signatories on GALA's Edward Jones accounts and Eckles seconded. The Vote regarding the Motion to Remove Ryan Duclos & Christopher J. Gormley as authorized signatories on GALA's Edward Jones accounts PASSED with no opposition, no abstentions

b. Add Diaz, Eckles and Call as authorized signatories on the Edward Jones accounts, who must act with unanimous consent

Taylor made a Motion to Add Robert Diaz, Jeffrey Eckles & Michelle Call as authorized signatories on GALA's Edward Jones Accounts, who must act by unanimous consent and Lloyd seconded. The Vote regarding the Motion to Add Robert Diaz, Jeffrey Eckles & Michelle Call as authorized signatories on GALA's Edward Jones Accounts, who must act unanimously, PASSED with no opposition, one abstention: Diaz

4.4 Resignation of Board Members – Diaz – 6:52pm

Rescan sent her resignation letter to Diaz and Board.

Diaz made a Motion to Accept Rescan's Resignation and Eckles seconded. The Vote regarding the Motion to Accept Resignation PASSED with no opposition, no abstentions.

4.5 Call for Vice-President Nomination – Diaz – 6:40pm

Diaz opened nominations for vacant position. Lloyd made statement to board in support of her nomination. Lloyd stepped out of meeting.

Vote for Lloyd as Vice-President PASSED with no opposition, one abstention: Diaz

Diaz made a Motion to Appoint Jane Lloyd as 2019 Board Vice-President and Jones seconded. The Vote regarding the Motion to Appoint Jane Lloyd as 2019 Board Vice-President PASSED with no opposition, one abstention: Lloyd.

4.6 Creation of Nomination Committee – Heumann – 7:05pm

Heumann proposed that a Nominating Committee be formed as a standing committee.

Taylor volunteered to chair. Eckles made a Motion to Nominate Taylor as the Chair of the Nomination Committee and Heumann seconded. The Vote regarding the Motion to Nominate Taylor as the Chair of the Nomination Committee PASSED with no opposition, one abstention: Taylor.

4.7 Executive Director Report – Call - 7:56pm

Call had sent her report earlier this week.

Go Daddy renewal – 2yr

New volunteer for 8 hours/week

Willow restaurant reached out (old Marie Calendar in Pismo Beach)

4.8 President Report – Call

Diaz presented his report earlier in the meeting.

5. GALA Group Committee Reports:

5.1 SLO Lez Mix – McDaniel – 7:20pm

Neither McDaniel or any other representative of the group attended, even though they had been invited. Discussion of numerous cancelled meetings at the last-minute leaving members upset and not returning again. Another lesbian group, Lez Be Friends, is interested in using the Center on the same date and time.

Diaz made a Motion to Sever Ties with Lez Mix and Replace with a new Lesbian Group and Lloyd seconded.

The Vote regarding the Motion to Sever Ties with Lez Mix and Replacing with a new Lesbian Group, PASSED with no opposition, no abstention.

Board asked Call to email the two SLO Lez Mix facilitators stating that the group is no longer recognized as a GALA group.

Board needs to create better Group Policies.

5.2 Tranz Central Coast – Woolf – 7:48pm

New transgender youth group started in January – 7 youth attended.

Spanish language group started this month – 2 attended

Announcement: need Treasurer

5.3 Senior Advocacy – 7:52pm

Linala needs to limit her involvement. Looking for someone to step-up to handle Senior Social.

5.4 Pride – 7:53pm

Call spoke about the first meeting. Co-chairs are Robert Kinports & Frankie Dominguez

5.5 Art Curator – 8:09pm

Schmidt discussed the need for direction from the Board re: a censorship policy. She asked for input to be sent to her in the next few days. She will then put together a suggested policy and submit to the Board

5.6 Bylaws – 8:13pm

Heumann discussed have draft timeline.

SPOKES reviewed the current bylaws and these comments will be discussed at next week's meeting

5.6 Youth Groups – Diaz - 8:15pm

Q and R groups have been meeting together lately—good support for one another

Providing transportation to Pacific Pride Prom

Open Night Mike coming up!

President Announcements – 8:20pm

Diaz announced Board please use hour trackers.

6. Next Meeting:

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12. Adjournment:

Meeting Chair Diaz: adjourned the meeting at 8:23pm