Minutes of the LifeRing Board of Directors Meeting: July 12, 2020

It was determined that a quorum of board members was present and the meeting was called to order by Board Co-Chair Lorraine Hull at 9:00AM PDT. Co-Chair Dan Carrigan was also present. The other Board Members present were: Donal Breen, Mary Beth O'Connor, and Ewa Conroy. New Board members, Jocelyn Harnois and Jamie Itterman were also present. Board members Scott Judkins and Steve Gonzales were not present. Robert Stump, General Manager, was present. Lisa Swing-Comey, Regional Representative Coordinator, was present as well.

Welcome to Jocelyn Harnois and Jamie Itterman, LifeRing's two new Board members!

Public Comments

Lisa J. has joined from Sacramento, CA.

Consent Agenda

The May Consent Agenda was moved, seconded, and carried unanimously to accept the Consent Agenda as submitted. The May P&L was moved, seconded, and carried unanimously to accept the May P&L as submitted. The May Minutes were moved, seconded, and carried unanimously with amendment stating there was an Executive Session held after the Board meeting in order to discuss legal matters.

Committees

Local and Online Meeting Support Committee

(Donal B., Dan C., Scott J., Lisa S-C)

Many meetings are now being held online. Thirty-three online meetings are currently being held using LifeRing's Zoom platform. There are links on the LifeRing website to online meetings; however, many convenors do not want their meetings posted to the public as they want to keep their meetings small and intimate; in order to enter these meetings one would have to contact the convenor in order to receive an invite to the meeting. There are 149 FTF meetings, many of which are in suspension. Generally speaking, meetings are following CDC as well as local health guidelines. Some meetings are being held outside. Will need to provide more online meetings if convenors are having problems with unmanageable numbers of attendees.

Convenor Training Committee

Jamie has expressed interest in being involved in creating quarterly Convenor Trainings.

Finance Committee - (Robert, Mary Beth, Donal) No new updates.

Executive Committee

No new updates.

Marketing Committee/Fundraising - Steve, Scott, Lorraine

Lorraine is exploring creative new approaches to fundraising and has enlisted support from Garrett, who has a background in marketing. Planning to set up a way to match donations for a total of up to \$500 (Lifering CO is donating this amount to Lifering International). Reminder that donations should be asked for during meetings and discussion of how collections can be conducted during online meetings. May be useful to look at adding a "Donate" button on the Zoom meeting; Robert is looking into this. Need more consistency in convenors asking for donations during meetings.

Communications Committee

Dan, Ewa, Robert, Monica, Lisa No new updates. Seeking ideas for blog posts. Will coordinate communication with fundraising committee.

New Business

Appointment of Officers

Co-Chairs - Motion made to nominate Dan C. and Lorraine H. for Board Co-Chair positions. Motion seconded and carried unanimously to appoint Dan and Lorraine as Co-Chairs of the Board.

Board Secretary - Motion made to nominate Jocelyn H. for position of Board Secretary. Motion seconded and carried unanimously to appoint Jocelyn H. as Board Secretary.

Treasurer

Motion made to nominate Donal B. for position of Board Treasurer. Motion seconded and carried unanimously to appoint Donal B. as Treasurer of the Board.

Executive Director

Motion made to rehire Robert S. as Executive Director beginning 7/27/20.

Adjournment

Motion was made to adjourn. Motion was seconded and carried unanimously to adjourn.

Submitted by Ewa Conroy LifeRing Board Secretary August 6, 2020