



Board Of Directors Monthly Meeting Minutes

Sunday, March 9, 2025

Call to Order and Identification of Public Attendees

Sue Betts called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM Pacific Time.

Board Members	Present	Absent
Sue Betts	√	
Bobbi Campbell	√	
Monica Foy	√	
Joe Franklin	√	
Michael Anderson	√	
Mary Beth O'Connor	√	
Njon Sanders	√	
Robert Stump	√	
Lisa Swing-Corney	√	

Non-Board Members Present:

- Ewa C.
- Taresa N.
- Lorraine W.
- Renee R.
- Laura M.
- Jody E.
- Larissa

Approval of Consent Agenda

February 2025 Minutes

Monica made a motion to adopt the February 2025 Minutes as presented, Joe seconded.

VOTE: Sue confirmed a unanimous vote to adopt the February Minutes as presented.

February 2025 Financial Report

No major changes from previous reports; continued alignment with QuickBooks.

Motion: Monica made a motion to adopt the February financial report.

Second: Joe Franklin

VOTE: Sue confirmed a unanimous vote to adopt the February 2025 Financial Report as presented.

Ongoing Business

Strategic Plan

The board discussed extending the current strategic plan through 2026.

Sue made a motion to table the final vote on updates until the next meeting to allow further review.

Lisa seconded the motion.

VOTE: Sue confirmed a unanimous vote to table the final vote on Strategic Plan updates until the next BOD meeting.

Relations With International Entities

Lisa provided an update on outreach to international entities, which continues to present challenges. Some questions still outstanding; goal is to finalize and potentially involve legal support (Cooley). A deadline will be proposed to collect all questions.

Mary Beth offered to follow up with Cooley.

Mary Beth will also be visiting Ireland in June and may discuss directly with local leadership.

New Business

LifeRing Annual Conference Planning

The Annual Conference will be held on June 7–8, 2025.

Planning committee forming, led by Michael Anderson with support from Robert, Lisa, Lorraine, and Sue.

Suggestions requested for keynote speakers and workshops.

Delegate invitations have been sent.

Board Actions & Registrar Appointments

Board Actions & Bylaw Changes Coordinator:

Sue made a motion to nominate Mary Beth O'Connor for Bylaw Changes Coordinator.

Lisa seconded the motion.

VOTE: Sue confirmed a unanimous vote to nominate Mary Beth O'Connor for Bylaw Changes Coordinator.

Registrar

Sue made a motion to self-nominate for Registrar. Lisa seconded the motion.

VOTE: Sue confirmed a unanimous vote to self-nominate for Registrar.

Absentee Election Timeline

Proposal to send ballots 5 days after the Congress instead of waiting the full 10 days.

Board agreed this is within bylaws and does not require a formal vote.

Reports

Treasurer's Report

Monica presents the income and expenditure information in its visual graph form;

She noted some formatting issues due to tech problems.

Assets slightly down, typical for February.

Book sales are up slightly, especially "Humanly Possible".

LifeRing Book Sales Report

No new updates.

LifeRing Development Report

Lorraine provides update on outreach and fundraising efforts:

Made contact with the American Humanist Association which is interested in making

sure that Justice departments and local courts are aware of secular options for

individuals with DUI violations or any other addiction-related violations.

Development (cont.)

Lorraine plans to continue to connect with her contact there in an effort to promote visibility of LifeRing; such as listing LifeRing on their website and exploring other ways they can partner with LifeRing.

Continued pursuit of donor advised fund (DAF) integration on the website.

Working with Joe and others on grant research via Candid and local libraries.

FMC continues to meet on a bi-weekly basis.

LifeRing Teams Updates

Social Media

No new updates.

Tech Team: Privacy Policy

No new updates.

Convenors and Meetings

100+ online meetings now.

Eight new in-person meetings started in 2025 so far.

MCC (Meetings & Convenors Collaboration)

There will be a Convener Commitment Guidelines Town Hall this upcoming Saturday, March 15, 2025.

Adjournment of Board of Directors Meeting

Sue made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 PM PST. Monica seconded the motion.

VOTE: Sue confirmed a unanimous vote to adjourn the March 2025 BOD Meeting.

Public Forum

Driving While Participating in Meetings: concerns raised by community member (Laura) about participants joining meetings while driving.

Discussion on Zoom's "Safe Driving Mode."

Potential policy considerations were discussed but tabled for future MCC and board discussion.