

MERAMEC REGIONAL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

July 22, 2020

Members Present: Gary Brown (Dent), Jared Niederer (Gasconade), Vicki Lange (Osage), Randy Becht (Pulaski). Greg Harris (MRCF At-Large by virtual conference), Ray Walden (MRPC At-Large), Steve Vogt (MRPC At-Large), and Bonnie Prigge (MRPC Executive Director).

Members Absent: Wendy Young (Phelps) and Cindy Merx (Washington).

Staff Present: Maria Bancroft, Foundation Coordinator

Guests Present: Judy Cantoni, Community Foundation of the Ozarks by virtual conference

Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance: Chairman Lange called the meeting to order and led the group with the Pledge of Allegiance at approximately 2:02 p.m.

Welcome & Introductions: Chairman Lange welcomed newly appointed board member Jared Niederer representing Gasconade County.

Approval of Minutes: The board reviewed the minutes from April 21, 2020. Harris made one correction to remove the last sentence on the last page regarding his community update. Prigge made a motion to approve the minutes with the correction as presented, seconded by Niederer. Motion passed.

Board Vacancies Update: Bancroft updated the board on current member vacancies. One recommendation was presented to consider John Craig from Crawford County. Bancroft will reach out to him to consider being on the board for the county. Lange recommended Vicki Nelson as a possible Maries County representative.

Selection for Nominating Committee: Bancroft informed the board that the terms for officers has expired and new appointments must be made to serve a 2-year term (July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2022). MRCF's by-laws include language to select a nominating committee to present a slate of officers to the board. The board decided to discuss and make selections at the meeting. After discussion on possibly officer candidates and consent of members present, Prigge made a motion to reappoint for second term Vicki Lange for Chair, Greg Harris for Vice-Chair, and Wendy Young for Secretary/Treasurer, seconded by Becht. Motion passed. Bancroft will notify Young on appointment and confirm acceptance.

MRCF Fund Balance Report: Bancroft presented the current fund balance report as of June 30, 2020.

MRCF Goals and Action Plan Updates: Chairman Lange asked each board member to share updates in each county.

- Vogt mentioned that the Maries County fair is this weekend.
- Walden shared an update that the Dent County Community Foundation's Impact 100 Giving Circle recently awarded grants to projects in the community.
- Harris mentioned plans to eventually visit with Rolla Public Schools about MRCF opportunities.

Special Presentation: Judy Cantoni shared with the group new updates within Community Foundation of the Ozarks including a search for a new application system in the future and this year's annual affiliate appreciation conference to go virtual in partnership with another foundation in Kansas.

Fiscal Year 19-20 in Review: Bancroft presented a PowerPoint showcasing MRCF's accomplishments for last fiscal year. Bancroft will share the presentation to the board by email.

Closing Remarks & Adjournment: Being no further business for discussion, Vogt made a motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 3:26 p.m., seconded by Walden. Motion passed.

No August board meeting scheduled.

Next MRCF board meeting (Tentative) – September 8, 2020 @ 9:30 a.m., MRPC large conference room.

Approved by the board on _____, 2020

Vicki Lange, Chair

Attested by Secretary or other MRCF Officer