

RFS Minutes 2-17-20 (Draft)

Ralph, Kathleen, David, Daksha, Gary, Lisa (Facilitator), Bec (Recorder), Dee Powell (guest).

1. Opening: Liza opened with thoughts about Presidents since it was Presidents' Day. She reminded us how insulated we are from the wars going on in the world as well as the nature of leadership we have in our world today.
2. Agenda review: Two items were added in New Business
3. Approval of last meeting minutes : Questions on the Treasurer's report included the following:
  - a. Had expenditures been included in the total recorded in the minutes?. It was suggested to change the wording to be "including"
  - b. Change "reshingle" the tower roof rather than "replace".

Action: Jan. 20, 2020 minutes were agreed to with changes.

4. Treasurer's Report

No report. Anne has the checkbook while Karen is out of town . David suggested auto pay Emera to avoid any future problems. Close tracking the funds will be necessary to make sure we have the funds. . Ralph reminded us there are two separate issues: a. receiving the bill information and b. paying the bill.

Action: Ralph and Karen will set up the auto pay system when EMERA informs them of the new account number. Ralph will track usage information and send to Lisa. It is recommended that the Emera account information should be included in the building and grounds book for future boards.

Action: Ralph will send account information to Liza for the building committee book.

Action: Ralph has been appointed co-treasurer and will meet with Anne to take over the tasks while Karen is out of town.

5. Programs Report : Gary reported that David led the meeting and opened by sending healing energy to Sheila. The two (regular use ) facilities requests have been withdrawn. Gary read David's closing. It was a very significant meeting. Gary will resend the report. Program Theme this year is: Practices for Resilience
  - a. REACH Workshop Sponsorship Request, document attached.

Action: RFS will sponsor the REACH event.

6. B&G Report :Building projects on hold. Winter plumbing situation is still a focus. David and Daksha have been tracking the outside temperature and have maintained the plumbing when the temperatures are low. Chris Grover stopped by to check the stain glass windows \$4000 in site/ \$7000 at his shop. Perhaps a separate fund- raising project can be started for this project. It was felt that some sort of budget is needed to track the funds expended for the several ongoing project.

Action: Daksha will organize a meeting. Purpose of creating a facilities budget.

7. GW Report : Report was emailed.
8. Old Business: Building use form: Daksha handed out a draft form. Extra language regarding *securing the building* was suggested. Changing the form to an Application and creating a separate Agreement form was recommended.

Action: Daksha and Bec will work on the application and agreement and email for final approval & Bec will send to Kathleen for the website.

1. RFS annual giving for 2019 was not done in the fall. It was recommended that we dedicate \$1500 this year for annual giving. Daksha shared school lunch need in Deer Isle-\$2000 arrears/ Penobscot \$500 School lunch. Discussion included the following organizations be considered:

Penobscot Community School (PBC)/school lunch money support

PBC Garden Club

Deer Isle Elementary School/ School lunch money support

Garden Club Summer Program/ Brooksville Elementary School

Wabanaki Reach/Kate Mrozicki

Americans Who Tell The Truth

Kane Lewis Kane /Shetterly Film

Peninsula Free Clinic

Nebezin/Turtle Island

Brooksville Educational Foundation

The board will discuss further in March. Ralph recommended leveraging our giving by tryint to increase the impact- ie increasing awareness of the problem. Gary recommended the appeal letter should include RFS giving and that perhaps it can be included it on the website.

2. Board recruitment: Several names were suggested and

Action: David, Kathleen, Daksha will follow up with calls to assigned individuals.

## 9. New Business

1. Web site: Kathleen set the newsletter link in a prominent place and added the last twelve months of RFS BOD minutes.

Action: Bec will send building use form to Kathleen for the website & Lisa will set up a google an internal calendar

2. Americans that tell the truth: Events are scheduled in Charlottesville with Rob Shetterly/ in March. Bruce Gordon has worked with kids.

Volunteer hours: Daksha 22/Bec 9/Ralph9

Next meeting: **3/23/2020. Bec will Facilitate/ Ralph will record.**