



Board Meeting Minutes  
December 1, 2015 5:00 pm

Attending Board Members: David Gries, Susan Harding, Nancy Wehr, June Gardner, Jane Croft, Margie Ott, Lyn Ermer and Alvin Sacks.

Staff Attending: Todd Smith, Executive Director and Manuel Valencia, Operations Director

- I. President's Report: (Dave)
  - Meeting convened. Attendees were welcomed and the announcement made that all Board Meetings will now be open to anyone.
  - Board members introduce themselves.
  - November minutes approved.
- II. Treasurer Report: (Nancy)
  - Review of Financial Statement from Jan 1, 2015- Nov 18th 2015.
  - Running at a \$6,700 deficit for the year so far.
  - \$33,000 in Assets
- III. Executive Director's Report: (Todd)
  - 117 Members as of today. Goal is 130.
  - Biggest Current Challenges:
    - Need to find new office space as losing office as early as March. Todd researching and looking to membership for ideas/contacts to help find no cost or low cost office space.
    - Creation of new active committees particularly in the evens/activities area where greater assistance is critical.
    - Need to identify new sources of non-dues revenue. For example, charging \$10 for transportation when a van is rented.
    - Need to build a stronger base of "active" volunteers, particularly as it relates to transportation requests. Looking at potential cab service options.

Members asked for event ideas:

- Sam Dhir suggested starting a bridge group, saying he's willing to host it. Also suggest golf and casino outings
- Lyn Pekkanen suggested organizing a village group who are concerned about Westbard development. Dave states that as a 501C-3 non-profit that LfV cannot host or sponsor political issues.
- Lee Ohringer encouraged members, interested in square dancing, to sign on to participate in a dance event planned for late Jan (date TBD) at the Friendship Heights Community Center.
- Other suggestions included getting tickets to performances at the National Theatre and getting a group of members together who are interested in attending Avalon Theatre's monthly Senior Cinema screening of new movies.

- IV. Fundraising Report: (Susan)
  - Susan asks that each member donate 10 extra dollars, suggests that members ask their family for donations in lieu of a holiday gift. She also suggested asking local businesses or corporations to donate.
- V. Adjournment: (Dave)
  - The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, January 5 the meeting was adjourned at the Sumner Village Community Center and this meeting was adjourned at 6:11 pm.

Minutes Approved on: January 5, 2016