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Minutes of the Meetings of the Open and Executive Sessions, WILPF US Board of Directors

May 19, 2015

Held via teleconferencing

Board members present:

President: Mary Hanson Harrison

Treasurer and Chair of the Finance Committee: Millee Livingston

Secretary: Candace Perry

Chair of the Development Committee: Fran Foulkrod

Chair of the Membership Development Committee: LaShawndra Vernon

Chair of the Nominating Committee: Barbara Nielsen

Chair of the Personnel Committee: Nicole Scott

Chair of the Program Committee: Odile Hugonot Haber

At-large Board Member: Ann Fleischli

US Section Member of the International Board, Melissa Torres

WILPF members, non-Board present: Theresa Cote, Deb Garretson, Joan Ecklein, Marybeth Gardam, Marge van Cleef

Also present:

Ellen Schwartz, Dashboard facilitator

Paula Herrington, Interim Director

Heather Harker, Jackie Emmart, Third Sector New England (TSNE)

The Board convened in Open session, via teleconference call, at 8:30 pm (ET).

The minutes from March 24 were approved as corrected. The minutes from April 14 were approved without correction.

Melissa and Mary gave brief reports from their time at The Hague for the Centennial Congress and Conference. Both reported the experience as very positive. Written reports from the delegates and alternates will be forthcoming, and speaking tours are planned.

Reports were sent and read in advance from Program, Development, Finance, Personnel (TSNE Staff proposal), Nominating and the Interim Director. The Development report was questioned regarding any funds which were raised, and Paula shared that \$7000 was cleared from the recent membership mailing.

The TSNE Staff proposal for a Managing Director was discussed. LaShawndra, Candace, Nicole, Melissa, and Mary agree with the proposal. Millee, Odile and Ann had reservations and stood aside. Fran and Barbara blocked the proposal. Since this was the third board meeting since Houston at which no consensus could be reached regarding the staff proposal, Mary stated she would invoke her administrative-executive power to move the proposal forward. The WILPF US by-laws state, "The National Board President(s) shall be the administrative-executive officer(s)...." Ann changed her position to a block. If TSNE assists with the search process it will take approximately four months to hire a Managing Director. The board will interview finalists for the position and make the final decision of whom to hire.

Database information access was discussed. The recommendation from the Interim Director was approved, with the addition of the Nominating Chair and the Program Chair(s) added to the list of those who would have access to all information:

- President
- Development Chair
- Two Co-Chairs of Growing WILPF
- Chair of Membership Development
- Chair of the Communications Committee
- At-Large Member (minutes corrected to reflect inclusion of At-Large)
- Senior staff person (currently Paula)

The Branch contact people will have access to the information on members of their branch. Information does not include credit card or bank information. In addition to the above who have access to information, there is the staff person (currently Ariane) and the IT person (currently Glenn) who have access to both the information and the system. Once the database update project is completed, members will be asked if they wish to opt out or opt in to a "public" list that is available to all members,

The meeting of the Open Session was adjourned at 10:30 pm (ET).

The meeting of the Executive Session followed, with non-Board members leaving the call. The following were approved as members of the Development Committee, in addition to the Chair:

- Robin Lloyd
- Marybeth Gardam
- Millee Livingston
- Ann Fleischli
- Barbara Nielsen
- Theresa Cote

Mary Hanson Harrison
Paula Herrington

The meeting of the Executive Session was adjourned at 10:43 pm (EST).

Respectfully submitted,
Candace Perry, Secretary