

## **Minutes for July 13th**

Present at the meeting: Claire, Riley, Erika, Robin, Jessica, Bryana, Taylor, Alfredo, AnneMarie, Marcy, Mandi, and Chanda

Call to order by Riley at 8:03 am

Riley motioned for the approval of agenda, Bryana seconded the motion

Chanda is now the new secretary, and the following new committee positions:

- Community Learner - Marcy
- Community Engagement - Chanda
- Membership - Bryana and Jessica

The approval of June minutes has been motioned by Claire, and the approved Amended May minutes motioned by the board.

Annual Report Review (Robin): Report was turned in two days early! As long reports are turned in by everyone, annual report will go more smoothly. Add Monthly Reports to Work Plan, Annual Report in May, submit on June 30th, and Reminder of Reports in April.

Budget Report (Jessica): Added storage, and luncheon to budget, and now with the new bank Mt. McKinley.

Executive Director Consultant Report (Tabitha): She has been checking the mail, and is figuring things out as we change positions and placements.

Board Positions & Committee reports (Claire): Change the by-laws within a month or two for changing positions. All members need a clear understanding of responsibilities, and what is to be expected. Communicate with each other, CC in emails. Claire joins Membership Recruitment, and Marcy joins Membership.

Fundraising/Donations Update (Claire): Within these times, it is hard asking for donations because of budgeting of the state, hold off on asking. We could ask for baskets, but no asking for

monetary donations. Riley suggested a service for our community as activities in conference. Marcy said that food and clothing donations would be ideal. Marcy also made a crate for the dollhouse to raffle off. Partnered with Head Start to showcase it. Could partner with more programs, but a Thrivalaska employee would have to track the tickets, and be within the Alaska law. Board can front the shipment cost.

Director Lunch review (AnneMarie): The event happened on June 9th, and six people showed up. Other responded, and could be growing. Sarah from Fairbanks Montessori even joined. Directors Lunch will be the second Monday of each month at 11 am. AnneMarie will continue to host, and Claire has mentioned she can also host.

Ft. Wainwright meeting review (Claire): Chico is gone, Kayla is now in position as trainers are changing

Website Update (Erika): Will add minutes

Membership Update (AnneMarie): We are at 268 members, which is 10 more than last month. Should begin to sponsor events to get our name out.

Recruitment Update (Claire & AnneMarie): Claire will send out list.

Public Policy (Robin): We thank the legislators, except Tammy Wilson. Meeting for the Alaska Early Learning Guidelines is on August 23, from 9 am to 4 pm. Location is undecided.

Work Plan (Claire and Tabitha): Date the update, Chanda will need to update

Conference Planning (Claire): Claire and Riley will have a schedule for conference for the next meeting.

Education (Riley): RDF is out, need ideas for panels (Safety Panel is there), and continue to reach out to professionals. There is one RDF submitted.

Hospitality: Nothing will be different for food, submitted, no shuttle service, snacks will be in classrooms for the afternoons. Claire and Riley will talk to Matherly about the parking garage.

Marketing (Claire): Claire talked to the radio people; as soon as we put the conference on our website, then advertise on radio. For sure we will use social media, and flyers will be used.

Workshop for presenters will be in mid-August through Thread.

Next meeting will be on August 10, beginning at 8 am at Thread.

Will start having bi-weekly meeting in August, then weekly meetings in September.

Clair adjourned the meeting at 9:45 am