



Northern Community Mediation

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES

January 21, 2021

Zoom

The mission of Northern Community Mediation is to help people resolve conflicts in Charlevoix and Emmet Counties

Present: Bob Banner, Stuart Fenton, Brian Kasiborski, Ed Engstrom, Maureen Hollocker, Bill Meengs, Mitch Brown, Izabella Babinska, Hugh Conklin, Steve Hall, Brooke Jacobs, Lee Kramer, Phil Harmen, Polly Cheney, Greg Theiss, Emily Hoffman, Karen Cole, Laura Buckingham, Susan Hannah, Suzi Kanine

Absent: Nikki Devitt, Kirstyn Horan, Liisa Morley

CALL TO ORDER: Bob Banner

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

APPROVAL OF November 2020 MINUTES: Stuart Fenton Motion made, seconded, and adopted unanimously

TREASURER'S REPORT: Hugh Conklin

1. See 2020 Annual Report
2. 2021 Budget
 - a. Electronic Vote
 - b. 100% Participation
 - c. Unanimous
 - d. Copies of electronic votes to be attached to these minutes
3. Motions were made, seconded and approved unanimously to accept the Treasurer's Report and the 2021 electronic budget vote.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Bob Banner

1. By-Law Proposal – Article 2, Section 2.2 regarding the election of Board of Directors was amended to reflect Board of Governance policies regarding same. Motion made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. See 2020 Annual Report

MISSION MOMENT Jane Millar – Jane told us about a case involving a 2nd grader who was refusing to go into school, obviously distraught. In going thru the restorative practice school mediation it came out through the proposed psychological evaluation that mom had been abused by her former significant other, and the reason the child did not want to leave mom's side and go to school was in order to protect mom. The issue having been identified, measures were taken to convince the child that mom was now safe and as a result there have been no more absences at school and the matter was resolved amicably to all. This was a very emotional and profound mediation for all involved.

ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETINGS

1. Board Retreat: Monday, February 8 at 5:00pm via Zoom
2. Executive Committee Meeting: Thursday, February 11 at 8:15am via Zoom
3. Advanced Mediator Training: Friday, March 5 at 9:00am via Zoom
4. Board Meeting: Thursday, March 11 at noon via Zoom
5. Executive Committee Meeting: Thursday, April 8 at 8:15am via Zoom
6. Round Table: Thursday, April 15 at 4:00pm via Zoom
7. Law Day: Friday, May 1



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8. Board Meeting: Thursday, May 6 at noon via Zoom
9. Appreciation Gala: Thursday, May 27 at 5:00pm via Zoom
10. Executive Committee Meeting: Thursday, June 1 at 8:15am via Zoom
11. Board Meeting: Thursday, July 8 at noon via Zoom
12. Executive Committee Meeting: Thursday, August 12 at 8:15am via Zoom
13. Board Meeting: Thursday, September 9 at noon at TBD
14. Round Table: Thursday, September 23 at 4:00pm at TBD
15. Executive Committee Meeting: Thursday, October 14 at 8:15am at NCM
16. Conflict Resolution Day: Wednesday, October 20
17. Board Meeting: Thursday, November 11 at noon at TBD
18. Staff Retreat: Friday, November 12 at 9:00am at TBD
19. Executive Committee Meeting: Thursday, December 9 at 8:15 at NCM Office
20. Holiday Party: Tuesday, December 14 at 5:00pm at NCM Office

THEATRE PARTIES

1. Petoskey – Uncertain
2. Charlevoix – Monday, October 11