**Red Rock Center for Independence Board of Directors**

**MINUTES FOR MEETING: May 15, 2019**

**3:00 p.m.**

**Attendees: Board Members**: George Gehling (President), Michael Mills (Secretary), Kester Tapaha, Diego Acosta, Brad Robinson, Darin Day, Angela Pool-Funai, Jesse Stocking

**Staff:** Barb Lefler (Executive Director)

**Excused:** Tom Brownlee (Vice President), Lester Ruesch (Treasurer), Em Diefenderfer, Deanna Osborne

**Welcome**

**Agenda & Meeting Priorities**

**VOTE:** Michael moved to accept agenda & meeting priorities as corrected (correction: remove Deanna from attendance at previous meeting), Angela second, motion was approved unanimously.

**Consent Agenda**

Minutes

Executive Director Report

**VOTE:** Michael moved to accept consent agenda as presented, Brad second, motion was approved unanimously.

**Barb Lefler’s health:** Two more chemo treatments to go, then heading to Arizona for evaluation regarding alternative therapy. The surgery center there has a very holistic approach. Her surgery schedule is pending.

**Finance**

Finance Report was presented by Michael. Discussion was held, questions were addressed.

**VOTE**: Darin moved to accept finance report as submitted, Angela second, motion was approved unanimously.

Michael reminded the board that this is the “short year” because of the fiscal year change. Barb informed the board that we will begin using a cost allocation plan starting in the new fiscal year, which will help keep track of expenses that should be attributed to specific grants, so costs can be allocated correctly. The Indirect Cost (IDC) rate has been approved and will be applied to respective grants. We have at least two months’ worth of cash reserves on hand, which was one of the Strategic Plan goals.

**Board Business**

No further action items were discussed.

**Discussion Items**

Scholarship Selection Committee: Application deadline is May 30; five applications have been received so far. George requested volunteers to serve on a selection committee to review nominations via email and make recommendations to board at next meeting. Self-nominations and recommended participants include: Jesse, Brad, Lester, Angela.

Media Volunteer Update: Barb and Brenda recently learned about Handshake, an online tool to connect college students with internships and volunteer opportunities. Through Handshake, Barb connected with Austin Clark, a recent University of Utah graduate who wants to build up his resume/portfolio and is interested in helping with our media efforts.

Building Status: Barb recently gave a presentation to the Intermountain Healthcare (IHC) hospital team. She linked RRCI’s mission with IHC’s services, impact, etc. Other entities are interested in the property neighboring the Children’s Justice Center, and IHC may not make a decision for a couple of months yet. George asked about the status of the fundraising video and possibility of adding a Donate link; Barb will inquire.

Strategic Plan Discussion/Assignments:

1. Fundraising – Cash reserves are in good shape. Building efforts are in progress, as reported above. Barb is soliciting funds from local businesses to support the purchase of a new van. Darin suggested exploring ways to connect with Utah Summer Games and/or Huntsman Senior Games to involve para-athletes and promote awareness of RRCI.
2. Reaching underserved populations – Client survey has been edited and is distributed monthly and quarterly.
3. Unfulfilled service needs – Board will review year-long recap of evening respite program at the August meeting.
4. Community awareness – Media support is in progress, as reported above.

**Adjourn 4:25pm**