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EASTSIDE HUMAN SERVICES FORUM
Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 16, 2020 – 9:30 to 9:50 am
Conference Call

<p>BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT Lauren Thomas, Hopelink – Board Chair Al Smith, Perkins Coie - Vice Chair Amy Falcone, Kirkland City Council - Sec/Treasurer Tony Copes, Eastside Interfaith Social Concerns Council Barbara de Michele, Issaquah City Council Monique Gablehouse, EvergreenHealth Stephanie Hamrick, Overlake Medical Center Paul Lwali, Friends of Youth Lynne Robinson, Bellevue City Council Cassandra Sage, LW School Board Helene Wentink, Alliance of Eastside Agencies</p> <p>BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT Jessica Forsythe, Redmond City Council Dr. Harlan Gallinger, Issaquah School Board</p>	<p>ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF AND CONTRACTOR PRESENT Leslie Miller, Work Group Chair Monica Negrila, Work Group Vice Chair Brooke Buckingham, Governance Task Force Liz Mills, Legislative Consultant</p> <p>VISITORS PRESENT Dee Dee Catalano, City of Bellevue Stephanie Lizza, EvergreenHealth, Organizational Review Committee Alex O'Reilly, City of Bellevue</p>
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CALL TO ORDER – Chair Lauren Thomas called the meeting to order at 9:33 am. A quorum of the Board was present. She reviewed the agenda.

Review of November Minutes

Motion 1: "I move the Board accept the meeting minutes from the November 19, 2020 Meeting as presented."

Discussion – Secretary/Treasurer Amy Falcone suggested that the minutes be edited to reflect that the Executive Committee later decided to vote on the Proposed 2021 Budget and the Proposed 2021 State Legislative Agenda at the 12/16/20 Board Meeting instead of by email vote. It was decided to add footnotes to the minutes to reflect those decisions.

Motion was made by Tony Copes and seconded by Barbara de Michele. The minutes were approved as presented. Lynne Robinson abstained from the vote.

Proposed Bylaw Changes

Motion 2: "I move the Board approve the restructuring proposal as presented."

Discussion: Board Members discussed that approving the restructuring proposal includes approving the amended Bylaws as well as the new mission. It was noted that at the Annual Meeting there was agreement to change the order of the three words at the end of the mission to read: Educate – Advocate – Collaborate. There was discussion on re-wording the Bylaws for clarity on the election of Board members and Board officers. There was discussion on adding measurements of work priorities in the Bylaws. It was decided that the Governance Committee will work on any needed Bylaw amendments.

Motion was made by Monique Gablehouse and seconded by Amy Falcone. The restructuring proposal was approved unanimously.

Proposed 2021 Budget

Motion 3: "I move that the Board approve the Proposed 2021 Budget"

Discussion: Al Smith mentioned that the budget reflects an Executive Director at less than full-time to reflect the cost sensitivity with adding this position and the current budget. If membership increases, the number of hours budgeted for the Executive Director may be revisited.

Motion was made by Lynne Robinson and seconded by Tony Copes. The motion was approved as presented unanimously.

Proposed 2021 State Legislative Agenda

Motion 4: "I move that the Board approve the Proposed 2021 State Legislative Agenda"

Discussion: None.

Motion was made by Barbara de Michele and seconded by Tony Copes. The motion was approved as presented unanimously.

Lynne Robinson, Al Smith and others thanked Chair Thomas for serving as Chair and providing outstanding leadership especially during such a challenging year. Chair Thomas thanked the Board for their service to the community and to the Forum.

ADJOURNMENT

Board Chair Lauren Thomas adjourned the meeting at 9:50 am.