

From Cradle to College Foundation, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting
Of
August 22, 2022

The From Cradle to College Foundation, Inc. held a Board of Directors meeting on August 22, 2022, at 9:00 am through a Zoom Meeting initiated at 525 7th Avenue West, Palmetto, Florida.

Board Members Present:

Marc Gilner
Dianne Kopczynski
Diana Dill
Rachael Quinn
Andrew Minor

Board Members Absent:

Linda Guritz (excused)

Foundation Staff Present:

Marie O'Connell

These minutes are a summary of the discussion and action items of the From Cradle to College Foundation Board of Directors meeting on August 22, 2022.

Welcome and Roll Call

Marc Gilner called the meeting to order at 9:02 am.

Marie O'Connell conducted roll call and determined a quorum was present.

Foundation Updates

Chair Gilner and Marie O'Connell informed the board that Howard Veltz has resigned from the board due to increasing business commitments. The Board agreed fully that Mr. Veltz has provided valuable service to the Foundation over the years and that we appreciate his investment of time and talent.

Scholarships

Diana Dill, Scholarship Committee Chair, shared that Take Stock in Children Manatee is ready to partner with the Foundation to work with candidates for both the Paul Sharff and Harry Kinnan Educator scholarships. We will work with TSIC to secure the scholarships through Florida Prepaid, one 2+2 scholarship in honor of Harry Kinnan and three 4-year scholarships in honor of Paul Sharff. These funds will be used to expand opportunities for Manatee County children to continue their education. The Foundation will make this presentation to TSIC in early 2023. The Foundation is following up with MTC Foundation for an opportunity to meet this fall with MTC Directors as well as the MTCF Board for an update on the usage of the \$30,000 in scholarship funds provided in May of 2022 for First Responder program participants. FCTCF anticipates that Mr. Moeller and NextGen will attend this meeting as well.

WIT Program

Ms. O'Connell reported to the board that the WIT program ended successfully as of 6.30.2022 and the program's financial records have been closed out completely. The Foundation issued a check to the county to repay funds collected based on unit of service invoicing that exceeded program expenses as of the program end date of 6.30.22. The Foundation is pleased to have provided this service for Manatee County citizens.

PEARLS Program

Ms. O'Connell reported to the board that PEARLS was off to a great start, the demand for this training has increased tremendously. Trainings under the 22-23 contract began in the second week of August and the schedule is very busy for months ahead. Ms. O'Connell also shared that in addition to an increased demand for training dates, a large percentage of the trainings have exceeded 30 participants, many as large as 60 plus.

Financial Reports

The April 2022 and June 2022 financials were reviewed by the Board of Directors. Ms. O’Connell shared that cash flow from operations remains positive.

The Board also reviewed the Budget for Fiscal Year 22-23 operations.

Items for Approval on Non-Consent Agenda

The Financial Reports for April 2022 were presented to the Board for approval.

Upon a motion duly made by Dianne Kopczynski and seconded by Diana Dill, the motion to approve the Non-Consent Agenda item was unanimously approved as presented.

The Financial Reports for June 2022 were presented to the Board for approval.

Upon a motion duly made by Dianne Kopczynski and seconded by Diana Dill, the motion to approve the Non-Consent Agenda item was unanimously approved as presented.

The Foundation Budget 22-23 was presented to the Board for approval.

Upon a motion duly made by Dianne Kopczynski and seconded by Diana Dill, the motion to approve the Non-Consent Agenda item was unanimously approved as presented.

Approval of the Board of Directors’ Meeting Minutes of April 28, 2022.

Upon a motion duly made by Diana Dill and seconded by Dianne Kopczynski, the Minutes for the Board of Directors Meeting of April 28, 2022, were unanimously approved as presented.

Approval of the Board of Directors’ Meeting Minutes of June 23, 2022.

Upon a motion duly made by Diana Dill and seconded by Dianne Kopczynski, the Minutes for the Board of Directors Meeting of June 23, 2022, were unanimously approved as presented.

Old Business

None

New Business

Diana Dill brought up to the Board that Ms. O’Connell’s title currently reflects Interim and asked that the Board consider changing that to a permanent status. The Board agreed with Ms. Dill, and Ms. O’Connell agreed as well when asked. Ms. Dill asked Ms. Quinn if she could assist with a discussion on compensation for the role. The topic will be reviewed and discussed with the Board once more information is available.

Public Comments

None

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, Dianne Kopczynski moved to adjourn, and Diana Dill seconded the motion. The Meeting was adjourned at 9:24 AM.

Minutes Prepared by:

Minutes approved by:

Marie O’Connell

Marc Gilner, Esq.