

# Board Meeting Via Zoom Thursday, February 15, 2024 @ 12:00 PM The Children's Museum at Bonnet Springs Park

#### **MINUTES**

**Voting members in attendance:** Charlene Bennett (Zoom), Kristen Carlson, Linda Donaldson, Karen Freedman (Zoom), Jessie Gomez, Ben Graffam, and Eileen Swiler (Zoom).

**Non-Voting members in attendance:** Paula Mims and Jo Shim.

The meeting was called to order at 12:03 by Vice President, Jessie Gomez.

We did not have a quorum at the start of the meeting. A quorum was obtained shortly into the meeting but lost soon after.

The minutes from January 26 were approved for filing.

Kristen Carlson delivered the **Treasurer's Report** for filing.

Direction of the meeting was transferred to Linda Donaldson upon her arrival at 12:28.

Linda Donaldson delivered her **President's Report**.

### **Standing Committee Reports:**

- Larry Rankin of the Restoration of Rights Committee was not present
- Ashley Lauretta of the Communication Committee was not present
- Karen Freedman of the Climate Action Committee reported on coming events and a need for volunteers. A written report was sent for filing.
- Katy Byrd and Bobbie Boatwright Harris of the D,E,I Committee were not present. A written report was sent for filing.
- Trudy Rankin of the Gun Violence Prevention Committee was not present
- Education Committee
- Paula Mims of the Healthcare Committee reported the on-going focus on Dental Care, healthcare privatization in Vermont, and medicaid expansion. A written report was sent for filing.
- Jo Shim of the Reproductive Health and Justice Committee reported on the State's Supreme Court hearing arguments about the abortion rights amendment language, as well as use of lockers at the Women's Health Center. A written report was sent for filing.
- Jo Shim of the Voter Services Committee reported on several recent and upcoming tabling events to register voters. A written report was sent for filing.

- Linda Donaldson of the Membership Committee reported on membership totals (103) in comparison to what the state hopes for us (112). A written report was sent for filing.
- Trudy Rankin of the Speaker's Bureau was not present
- There were no motions made during the committee reports.

### **Pro-Tem Committees**

• The Nominating Committee, the Budget Committee, and the Leadership Committee reported recent actions toward their goals.

# **Unfinished Business**

• Linda Donaldson continues to work on the Volunteer Pool Update.

## **New Business**

• Our Annual Meeting will be at Grasslands, on May 1, 2024. It will be a luncheon meeting. A potential guest speaker is being contacted, and we acknowledge the potential to pay travel and at least one night's stay for this speaker.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:55

Our next meeting will be held on March 23, 2024