



**Stonewall Alliance Center
Monthly Board Meeting
August 15, 2018**

Board Members Present: Katie Salcido - Chair, Jenita Rodriguez – Vice Chair, Donna Humphrey - Secretary, Tony Shafer- Treasurer, Kelly Baptiste, Conner Wenzel, Lauren erias

Board Member Absent: Tray Robinson

Staff: Lori Brown – Interim Executive Director, Kris Kidd – Counseling Director

1. **Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order by the Chair of the Board of Directors, Katie Salcido.
2. **Roll Call – All Board members are present, except for Tray Robinson.**
3. **Approve Minutes** – Jenita Rodriguez made the motion to approve the July 18, 2018 minutes, Tony Shafer seconded, and the motion carried.
4. **Board Introductions** - This was an open meeting, Katie asked that the audience introduce themselves, and following, welcomed the three new Board Members (Conner Wenzel, Kelly Baptista & Lauren Arias) and the Board of Directors introduced themselves.
5. **Executive Director’s & Bookkeeper’s Report.....Lori Brown**
Lori Brown, the Interim Executive Director, handed out & explained the spreadsheet & financial report covering July 19 – August 15, 2018 (attached to minutes). Lori emphasized the need for deliberate fundraising and seeking more grant monies.

Lori Brown reported that the computers in the center are obsolete. It is her suggestion to purchase a computer for Alyssa Larsen and after pride purchase other computers. The Board will conduct a vote through email.

- a. **Fundraising – ongoing from meeting on 7/18/18.....Patrick Newell & Todd Amdor**
An update was given about holding an LGBTQ+ film festival in Chico. They are hoping to show five films. Todd and his husband will front the money for the film festival.

6. **Counseling Services Update.....Kris Kidd**

Kris Kidd reported that the new counseling offices have been cleaned and are ready to use. During Pride the interns will be in the counseling offices looking down on Pride and will have walkie talkies for quick communication.

There will be some new groups at Stonewall: an over 50 adult group and a closed AA group.

The CEDA insert has been finished, and it is about how relationships help people stay alive.

7. Board of Director’s Recruitment Update.....Katie Salcido

Katie Salcido reported that the Board received seven applications for the Board of Director positions. Two applicants declined an interview and five applicants were interviewed. Out of the five interviewed, the board unanimously chose to accept three new members.

a. Executive Director Recruitment and Timeline.....Katie Salcido

The Board's intention was to recruit an Executive Director in September or October. Unfortunately, after looking at the budget, it was pointed out by the Interim Director that Stonewall does not currently have the funds to hire an Executive Director (E.D.). Currently Lori Brown is working as the Interim Executive Director (E.D.) for no compensation. The Board, Fundraising Committee, and Interim Executive Director are currently looking for funding and planning fundraising campaigns.

8. Fundraising – Ongoing from Meeting on 7/18/18.....Lori Brown

Lori explained that Stonewall needs to fundraise and a good start would be rebranding the Rainbow Alliance and ask for funds differently. The following volunteered to start the fundraising committee, Kelly Baptiste, Tony Shafer, Lori Brown. It was agreed that they would meet as a group and report back to the board about fundraising.

9. Other

a. Public Open Forum.....Audience

There was a discussion about diversifying the board and it was explained that this is important, although right at this point the board is focusing on Stonewall’s financial sustainability.

10. Date of Next Meeting

The next Stonewall Board of Director’s Meeting will be held on September 4, 2018, the venue will be announced at a later date.

The General Board Meeting was adjourned and went into Executive Session to discuss Personnel issues and who can table at Stonewall Events.