

Michigan City Community Enrichment Corporation
Virtual Zoom Meeting
Regular Meeting June 10th, 2020

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President George Kazmierczak at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Present — President George Kazmierczak, Vice President Jack Van Etten, Secretary/Treasurer Steve Janus, Connie Anderson, Rudy Kohn, Pete Xidias and Sue Webster. Absent was Bret Cox and Chris Carter. A quorum was reached. Board Attorney Mary Lake was also in attendance.

Approval of Minutes: Motion was made by Connie Anderson to accept the June 10th Minutes as presented; Rudy Kohn seconded. All in favor.

Financial Statement: Secretary/Treasurer Steve Janus presented the Harbour Trust May Financial Statement. Beginning balance was \$36,505.97. Disbursements totaled \$5,427.70 which included \$200.00 for the Administrative Assistant Susan Webster and \$22.70 reimbursement for Postage Expenses, Attorney's Fees to Board Attorney Mary Lake for \$3,180.00, Emergency COVID 19 funding to Safe Harbor Nurturing Minds Grant Application Number 454 for PPE Face Shields in the amount of \$2,025.00 and Administrative Expenses were \$10.00. Total Investment Income was \$9.53. Investment change was \$0.00. Ending balance for May 2020 was \$31,077.80. Jack Van Etten motioned to approve the May statement as presented. Seconded by Sue Webster. All in favor.

Claims: President George Kazmierczak presented two claims for payment. The Invoice for Administrative Assistant Susan Webster for \$160.00. Motion made by Steve Janus to approve Invoice, seconded by Connie Anderson. Sue Webster abstained. All in favor, Motion passes. An invoice for Catalyst Marketing for \$510.00 for their Annual Website Hosting was submitted. Motion made by Rudy Kohn to approve the invoice. Seconded by Jack Van Etten. All in favor. Motion passes.

Attorney Update: Attorney Lake stated she had been busy reading various emails regarding Board business. The Resolution titled Resolution Number 2020-

1 A Resolution Granting Broad Discretion To The Board Of Directors For the Michigan City Community Enrichment Corporation Due To The Circumstances Of The Covid Pandemic which the Board discussed at the May Meeting was updated. Jack Van Etten moved and Connie Anderson seconded the Motion to approve the Resolution as updated. All in favor. Motion passes. President George Kazmeirczak requested that Mary and Sue get together before the July Board Meeting and discuss any updating they might recommend before the next Grant Cycle. They will do the same for the Grant Contracts before they are prepared in January 2021.

Old Business: Three June Quarterly Reports have been submitted so far. The next few weeks the remainder will be due by June 30th. Michigan City Chamber Music Festival submitted their report with zero expenses and a letter hoping they can perform some programs before March 31st, 2021. Susan Webster will email them letting them know to just keep us informed with their Quarterly Reports or to email the Board if they have any further questions.

The Salvation Army submitted two emails pertaining to COVID 19 additional funding. One was a request for additional funding to cover payroll with their Weekend Backpack Program and Food Pantry Program totaling \$5,491.29. Sue Webster made a motion to transfer the money from the Homeless Shelter Grant Award to pay these salaries, seconded by Steve Janus. Rudy Kohn motioned to table this request, seconded by Pete Xidias until the July Board Meeting. Susan Webster will send them an email, copied to the entire Board, requesting more information regarding the programs and funding.

The Salvation Army also sent an email with the subject line of Updates and Questions. Rudy Kohn moved to accept the information in the email, seconded by Jack Van Etten, all voted in favor except for Sue Webster who voted nay. In the email they explained that for the Homeless Shelter which is run by Interfaith Community PADS they are providing two meals per week for those twelve residents in the Homeless Shelters and providing transportation on Sundays from the night shelter to the day shelter. They would like to use their Homeless Shelter Funds for this activity. Also covered was the Weekend Backpack Program which usually ends for the summer months however due to COVID 19 it will be continued thru the summer and the Food Pantry and the Gift of Warmth programs which will also need more funding due to COVID 19.

The Boys and Girls Club sent an email describing their Summer Camp Program progressing with their in-person program. Details including the extra COVID 19 expenses for training and supplies were described. They asked if they needed to supply a new budget. Steve Janus made a motion that the MCCEC Board is aware that expenses are different and to just explain them all in their Quarterly Reports. Jack Van Etten seconded. All in favor, motion passes. Susan Webster will send them an email explaining our discussion.

New Business: Rudy Kohn suggested that the Board reconsider their decision to allow two organizations with a balance of unspent grant award amounts due to COVID 19 from the last grant cycle spend the amount before they use funds from this years grant award. NCCAA had a balance of unspent funds for the Wheelchair Ramp Program that were scheduled for the last two weeks of March. The Arts For Learning had unspent funds for the Dancing Through the Curriculum Program scheduled at Pine School for the last two weeks of March could not take place. Susan Webster will send them emails regarding the status of their unspent awards.

Board Comments: Several Board Members voiced concerns about the Blue Chip and the future of the MCCEC funding.

Connie Anderson thanked Rudy Kohn for his part in this Board having Zoom call meetings.

George Kazmierczak asked Attorney Lake to review the Gaming Commission Contract and other Blue Chip information that pertains to our Board.

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, July 8th, 2020 at 5:00 pm in person at Krueger Memorial Park or if needed will be a Zoom Virtual Meeting.

Adjournment: Motion made by George Kazmierczak moved to adjourn at 6:01 pm. Seconded by Connie Anderson , all in favor. So adjourned.

Submitted by Susan Webster

