

Minutes of NAMI Finger Lakes Annual Board Meeting, Zoom Meeting, April 20, 2020

Submitted by Board Secretary Chris Bobrowich

Attendees: Brigitt Schaffner (President), Liz Allen (Vice President), Jean Poland (Treasurer), Chris Bobrowich (Secretary), Beth McGee (Executive Director), Deb Grantham, Joni Speilholz and Kathy Taylor (Board Members), Cheryl Jewell, Howard Reid, Neisha Butler, Kitty Dillon

Membership Report:

Total - 41
Household - 13
Open Door - 10
Regular - 18

Financial Report:

Checking	21,852.83
Savings	29,079.11
CDs	40,900.25
To deposit	255.00
Total	92,087.19
Available from CTA/Park	18,132.00

New Business:

1. Brigitt announced she is stepping down from being President of the Board of Directors.
2. Brigitt opens the meeting to nominations for officers.
 - Brigitt nominates Deb for President. Deb accepts. All approved
 - Brigitt nominated Liz Allen for Vice President. Liz accepts. All approved.
 - Jean nominates Howard for treasurer. Howard questioned if others. Jean spoke to a new era for NAMI-FL and the need for someone with experience like Howard. Howard agrees. Jean will work with Howard. Deb volunteered as well.
 - Liz nominates Chris for secretary. 1st and 2nd. All approved.
3. Deb brought up need to discuss future fundraising efforts and that this be continued at next board meeting
 - The board discussed how as a 501c3 organization we would be eligible for future stimulus funding if it happens again. Beth shared that she speaks weekly with Tom Reed, our U.S. representative about similar funding.
 - It is important that we stay aware of how Dump and Run, 5K run, etc. do this year as they are currently major fundraisers for us.
 - Some insurances, of which we have significantly more of given new PT Executive Director were recently paid and could count to operating expenses.
 - Jean will send out possible grants.
 - Beth will check with NAMI NYS regarding receiving monies from Medicaid.
 - NAMI-NYS Affiliate Development Coordinator, Tammie Paradis may be helpful
4. May Mental Health Awareness Month was discussed with the understanding that previous plans have significantly changed due to COVID19. Several new ideas were discussed (local radio interview, Zoom movie/documentary, post 5 best books that are member recommended, etc.).
 - Chris will meet with Beth to discuss next steps.
 - Kathy shared that Kevin Hines' appearance through Cortland Mental Health groups planned for May has been postponed till the Fall. Kevin is the author of Cracked, Not Broken: Surviving and Thriving After a Suicide Attempt. The board discussed the possibility of pairing with Rwehawn Miller in the Fall or supporting Kevin's appearance only since his costs are significant. (\$4,000-\$8,000).

Future Board Meetings

- to be held from 6:00-8:00 pm on 3rd Monday of each month as follows:

May 18	August 17	November 16
June 15	September 21	December 21
July 20	October 19	(may cancel December)