**April 25, 2022**

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I am happy to share the following highlights from the April 25th meeting of the Board of Directors of Southern Arizona. This meeting was conducted in a hybrid model with about half the Directors attending in person and half attending via Zoom. As per our bylaws, a quorum was present to conduct business.

*Pamela Traficanti*

*Incoming Secretary*

*GSSoAZ Board of Directors*

**Present:**

Diane Culin, Ellen Howlett, Gloria Tileston Tharp, Joe Peterson, Kellie Johnson, Maggie Shafer, Nanette Warner, Pamela Traficanti, Tia Tsosie Begay, Sofia Estrada, Bailey Williams, Melissa Arroyo, Stephanie Chavez, Yvette-Marie Margaillan

**Absent:** Terry Flores, Susan Armstrong, Allison Duffy, Cheree Meeks, Pat Wiedhopf, Sheila Kressler-Crowley, Tanisha Price Johnson

**On Leave of Absence:** Melissa López

**Staff:** Kristen García Hernandez, MacGyver Tank, Elizabeth Locke Thomas, Timalee Nevels, Niki Hoffman

**Gloria Tileston Tharp, Vice-Chair convened the meeting 5:10pm**

**Mission Moment** **Bailey Williams,** **Tia Tsosie Begay, Directors**

Bailey shared about her troop’s time at Camporee. She has feedback that next time, it should have more activities for older girls. She suggested automotive mechanics, sewing- how to hem or change straps etc.

Tia also shared from the Troop Leader perspective. Their troop is diverse in age and is about 20 girls strong. This year, she had 5 girls who had not experienced Jamboree before and just one who had been before. One of Tia’s Girl Scouts also joined the video sharing with a recount of how she caught a great big bass fish in the first fishing session of the day!

**CEO Update** **Kristen Hernandez, CEO**CEO, Kristen Hernandez updated the group on several topics

* Amazing Jamboree over the weekend that served 300 participants at Roper Lake State Park.
* Annual Meeting on the upcoming Saturday- starts 9:30 sharp
* We were selected by Social Venture Partners for their 2Gen partnership program cohort for the year. It’s been a robust process, which will result in not only multi-year funding up to a total of $75,000, but we will be part of a network of partners and community mentorship in capacity building.

Kristen shared with some words of thanks to those Directors who are leaving their formal service to the Board as their terms come to an end. Gloria Tileston Tharp, Diane Culin, Sheila Kressler Crowley, Pat Wiedhopf and Bailey Williams are the Directors we say farewell to.

**CFO Report Melissa Tomlinson, CFO**

Melissa Tomlinson, Consulting CFO, reviewed the financials from March, 2022. These documents were reviewed and approved by the Finance Committee on March 21, 2021.

We have submitted for an additional $300,000 in ERC and are waiting to hear about that.

**Motion:** Motion to approve the month end March 2022 financials as put forward by the Finance Committee. Motion by Joe Peterson/ Second by Tia Tsosie Begay. **Motion Passes**

**Product Program update**- **Elizabeth Locke Thomas, CMDO**

On Sunday, we are hosting a packing party to pack the 30,000 boxes cookies we are donating to Cookies for Heroes. 11am set up, pack from 12-2pm

August 13th is Brunch with Board- here at Angels Place. There are 3 seatings because there are 600 girls who achieved this reward.

**Development update Niki Hoffman, Chief Development and Marketing Officer**

Thank you to all those who donated raffle and wine prizes and those who attended and brought guests. Cookies and Cocktails was a HUGE success. We had a record turnout of 285 attending. We turned numerous folks away as we reach the venue capacity. We grossed $35,000 at this annual event, which is also a record for us.

The department is tracking well against goals. Individual giving is 97% to goal. Our events are already over 100% to goal.

The Arizona Pride Tour wrapped up last month. We will meet with the group next week as a wrap up and to get the final donation. We’re grateful for their support and new friendship. It was a worthwhile experience for us.

Meg- our fund development coordinator is getting married this summer and moving to MS with her new husband. The position will be posted in a week or so.

**Property Update** **MacGyver Tank, COO**

We are still in hiring mode for summer camp. The sessions are filling nicely… 462 as of this morning. We anticipate a bump in registrations after the cookie dough becomes available.

Every Wednesday night in June is cooks night out at Camp Whispering Pines, and a great opportunity to come to camp and experience the fun to help serve (and eat) dinner.

Camp Fury is also coming up and will be mostly based at the Hacienda this year. Stay tuned for the dates and duties that are open.

**Consent agenda**

**Motion:** Motion to accept the consent agenda. Motion by Diane Culin/ Second by Stephanie Chavez. **Motion Passes**

**Generative discussion-** we will do our annual board retreat here at Angels Place. Kristen opened the floor for discussion about what topics folks were interested in having at the retreat. It was suggested that perhaps exploring possible partnerships. Feedback that the goal setting format we used last year was not effective.

* Team building is welcome to help get to know our new directors.
* Understanding youth development- changing brains as they age, and the girl adult partnership.
* Adjustment to the workplace… how is your business making the adjustment back to the workplace?
* How board members can be involved.
* Overview of our offices, regions
* Suggested optional invite to the foundations boards to invite them to the retreat.

**Adjournment Gloria Tileston Tharp, Vice-Chair**

Meeting adjourned at 6:18pm