

GALA

Gay And Lesbian Alliance of the Central Coast

Minutes of the Board of Directors' Meeting, held at the GALA Center, 1060 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401 on November 2, 2010.

Board members present: Morgan Bowen, Will Russell, John Klimala, Sarah Best (recording), David Robinson, Bryan Jordan

Guests: Lorelei Monet, Jess Hawley, Robert Kinports, Michelle Franco, Sherry Collier

6:30 PM

Meeting called to order by Bryan Jordan, Treasurer

1. Sheryl is out sick today. Since she's the President/ Vice President the board must nominate a member to run the meeting
 - a.) Bryan was nominated –David/John
 - i. Motion approved unanimously

2. Motion to approved Gerald Lindemulder's resignation
 - a.) John/Morgan
 - i. Motion approved – two abstained – Will/David

3. Jess Hawley of the SARP Center approached the board to discuss use of the center by the SARP Center on November 12, 2010
 - a.) It's for a one-time use for a workshop, Depending on the response of the community
 - b.) The workshop is for gay men's self defense techniques.
 - c.) Motion to approve request for use of center by SARP –David/John
 - i. Motion approved unanimously

4. Michelle Franco of Planned Parenthood approached the board to discuss use of the center by Planned Parenthood starting on November 17, 2010 and every 3rd Wednesday of each month following that
 - a.) It's for a 12 month educational series aimed at the LGBTQIA community.

- i. Motion to allow use of the center by Planned Parenthood for above description of use – Sarah/Will

5. Approval of October Minutes

- a. Motion to approve October 5th minutes – David/Morgan
 - i. Motion approved – unanimous

6. Approval of October Financial Report

- a. Motion to approve the October Financial Report – Sarah/David
 - i. Motion approved – unanimous

7. Real estate listing agreement - Robert Kinports

- a. Since we have gotten no interests in the rental of the upstairs unit, Robert would like to drop the rental price to \$1200 a month.
- b. Motion to approve the decreased cost of rent for upstairs unit and any other decisions by Robert Kinports as he sees fit as long as he keeps the board informed – Sarah/David
 - i. Motion approved - unanimous

8. Holiday Drag Show – Robert Kinports

- a. After negotiations with Downtown Brew, an amended agreement with DTB was presented
- b. Motion to accept amended agreement with Downtown Brew to include the 25% of income after expenses – David/Morgan
 - i. Motion approved – unanimous

9. Solar Panels/ Electric use – Robert Kinports

- a. We are now producing energy, so we will start to see a definite decrease in our electric bills from this point on.
- b. Motion to deposit money/check refund that will be arriving from the state for the solar panel installation should be deposited directly into the building fund – John/Morgan

- i. Motion approved – unanimous

10. Drag Show – Robert Kinports

- a. Teaser cards and posters are ready to be passed out. We are the only people along with the Pride Committee who will be promoting this event.
- b. Presale tickets will be on sale till the end of December, however it is expected to be sold out.

11. 2011 Event Schedule – Bryan

- a. The list is only a tentative schedule, it's mainly just so we can start thinking about it for the 2011 board. We need to start planning the Legacy Fundraiser and finding a chair for the committee.

12. Nominations for Annual Awards - Bryan

- a. Motion to give the Benefactor of the Year Award to David Elson – John/Morgan
 - i. Motion approved unanimously
- b. Motion to give Robert Kinports a special award for his ongoing lifetime work with GALA along with a bottle of wine purchased by Bryan Jordan with a limit of \$200 – Sarah/John
 - i. Motion approved unanimously
- c. Motion to give the Distinguished Service of the Year Award to Ryan Miller – David/Sarah
 - i. Motion approved unanimously
- d. Motion to give the Volunteer of the Year Award to Ty Lanier – John/David
 - i. Motion approved unanimously
- e. Motion to give the Community Service Award to Adair Hahn – Will/David
 - i. Motion approved unanimously

13. Website Update - Lorelei

- a. Jill Shubert is working on a new taskbar/website that will not have flash and will be accessible via mobile device.
- b. Also being worked on is a shopping cart where a person can purchase memberships online directly and for other events such as dinners...etc. The shopping car would be attached to our bank account directly.

- c. This will cost GALA a small amount and will be discussed/presented to the board at a future board meeting with a budget to be voted on by the board.
 - d. Will suggested a photo gallery section to be added to the website to show pictures of past events to help promote them. Lorelei is going to look into that and get back to the board at the next meeting.
- 14. Town Hall Meeting – at the GALA Center November 10th at 6:30. New candidates will be present to be introduced.
 - a. Sarah will pick up snacks/food needed for the event.
- 15. Holiday Party is December 3rd – Bryan Jordan
 - a. Everyone needs to sell tickets and promote the event as much as possible.
 - b. Tickets are \$45 until 11/29 and \$50 on or after 11/29.
- 16. Volunteer BBQ – Sarah Best
 - a. We should have a BBQ to thank all volunteers for everything they've done through the year.
 - b. Motion to approve the Volunteer BBQ pending formal approval of budget at next board meeting in December– John/David
- 17. GALA, PacWest and the Monday Club have been named in a lawsuit by Jane Gold for the accident at the 2009 Waiter's Dinner where she fell and broke her leg. The insurance company has hired a lawyer and is handling the proceedings at this point.
 - a. A side note to this is that the Monday Club may not be available from this point on.
- 18. Round Robin
 - a. Clay Marsh is working on updating our bylaws to coincide with California Law. The executive committee will be involved with the drafting of the revised bylaws.
 - b. Motion to approve Clay Marsh in conjunction with the Executive Committee to continue the work on revising the bylaws –David/John
 - i. Motion approved unanimously

8:11 PM Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted

Sarah Best