

Meeting called to order by Neil L.: May 19, 2013, 1300 hours.

Neil L. was unanimously elected as Treasurer of the LSF Corporation at the meeting held on May 5, the new board he presided over the meeting. Sandra K. took the official minutes.

Attendance: Neil L., Sandra K., Carole McC., Bonnie H., Paul R., Dale R., Shelly R., Justin M., Tom B., Jim K., Vickie P..

Steve H. stated in a telephone conversation with Bonnie H. he would be unable to attend but was willing to be a board member if we chose to elect him.

Nancy S. texted Paul R. that she would not be able to attend but is still very interested in chairing or working on the LSF event Registration Committee.

The members present discussed at length how the organization had been operating in a manner that can best be described as ad hoc and in contradiction to many of the Articles and Bylaws. Because formal elections had not been held in over three years there could be no officially elected persons currently serving on the board. It was decided that we should return to a written set of rules and that we should follow the Articles as filed with the Nebraska Secretary of State on October 1, 1986 and the only set of Bylaws we can find a copy of that Neil provided and were circulated by Paul via email on May 19th, 2013.

There was lengthy discussion about whether or not we should make the LSF event Steering Committee Chairs board members or assign board members roles as chair people. Additional discussion regarding how to structure the board vs. event revealed that we needed more time to discuss this matter and agreed to table it for a future date. Everyone agreed there was a great deal of pressing matters that we needed to address and wanted to have time. It was not voted on but there was a consensus to creating an ad hoc Articles & By-Laws committee to work out these issues and bring a recommendation to the entire board and committee.

Paul moved that we elect seven board members with four of them to hold the offices of President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. It was seconded by Carole Mc.. Motion carried unanimously.

Paul nominated Tom B. as President, Jim seconded. No other nominations or volunteers were received. Tom was elected unanimously as President of the LSF Corporation.

Vickie P. was nominated as Vice President. No other nominations or volunteers were received. Vickie was elected unanimously as Vice President of the LSF Corporation.

Paul R. volunteered to be Secretary. No other nominations or volunteers were received. Paul was unanimously elected as Secretary of the LSF Corporation.

Simultaneously, Steve H., Jim K., and Carole McC. were elected by unanimous vote to the remaining three positions on the LSF board.

Fritz McC. was nominated as an 8th board member. He was elected unanimously.

It was acknowledged that some of the Articles and Bylaws need to be amended to but that would be tabled for a later date so that we could move forward. Tom as the new President will be responsible for drafting the revisions for submission to the board for approval.

Neil reported that while attempting to change the signatories on the bank account our current bank said we should change to a commercial account as we are a non-profit corporation and the original account was set up on a personal checking account. He provided a report of "Bank Services comparison" of USBank, Union Bank, and Westgate Bank. Neil recommended we go with West Gate bank. Neil reported that the new bank would be able to require two signatures on checks and two signatures on withdrawal slips. The bank could flag the requirement in their computer.

Paul asked to clarify that the "Returned check fees" on the report were referring to items we deposit that are returned not checks we write that are returned as "insufficient funds".

Paul moved to accept Neil's recommendation and it was decided by unanimous vote to approve West Gate as the bank for our new commercial checking account.

Neil reports that a free debit card was a part of the checking account. After lengthy discussion about petty cash vs. debit card vs. checks, Bonnie H. moved not to get a debit card for this new account. Motion carried unanimously.

Neil reported that previously Rick A. and Ernie S. were authorized to sign checks. The Bylaws indicate that the Treasurer, Co-Treasurer, Chairperson and Registration Chairman can sign checks. Neil recommended we change the authorized positions to sign checks to be the President, Vice President and Treasurer. It was unanimously approved.

Neil will work out with Wayne A. to get the old account closed and a cashier check of the balance to be deposited into the new account. Neil will also coordinate with Vickie and Tom to work out getting the signature card signed.

It was realized after the election of board members that Article V Section 6 of the LSF Articles of incorporation state that the term of board members is three years and Article I number 3 of the Bylaws that a board member can be reelected but must be off the board for a period of one year. This point was raised when it was realized that Steve Heckman had already served on the board for three or more consecutive years. After some discussion the board agreed that because LSF had been operating outside of the written Articles and Bylaws for over 10 years that and we are starting fresh and getting back to operating the way it's written that we unanimously decided to waive this requirement for Steve and keep him as a newly elected board member.

Paul reported that the Recruitment and Retention committee from February of 2013 developed the following positions, committees and descriptions for the LSF event: Event Chair and Co-Chair, Registration (organize advance registration and supervise registration at the event), Speakers (evaluate and select speakers), Site Selection & Logistics (handles all the physical details of the event), Marketing

(conveys the group message in all formats and social medias), Hospitality (Coordinate the hospitality spaces and the groups hosting them). Entertainment/Dance (Coordinates and/or creates all the activities and entertainment), Volunteer (Coordinates all the volunteers needed). After some discussion it was decided unanimously to fill only the Logistics & Speaker committee Chair positions for the LSF event as there is immediacy in getting a site selected and contracted and booking speakers. The remaining chairs would be selected at the next meeting.

The board voted unanimously to appoint Dale R. as the Speaker Committee Chair for the LSF event.

The board decided to use the same dollar amount for the Speaker Committee budget as 2013. This would include the following expenses: meals, hotel, travel, and honorarium. Neil will provide those totals to Dale.

The board unanimously decided to appoint Paul as the Logistics Chair for the LSF Event.

Paul has already developed an RFP (Request For Proposal) for venue and hotel locations and will complete it in the next 1-2 days and send it out to the board via email for input. After 1-2 days he will finalize the RFP and submit it to Lincoln Tourism and Travel and they will send it out to all the local venues and hotels. Those vendors will have one week to reply for consideration. Paul will ask for anyone who wants to review the bids to meet. Those on the committee will make a recommendation of the top 2-3 venues/hotels for the board to make the final decision.

The board voted to hold the event either on April 4-6, 2014 (preferred date) or March 28-30, 2014 (alternate date). Later in the meeting it was decided to add the Thursdays to the RFP. The members present thought utilizing Thursday as the "Free admission" day would aid in sorting out LSF Scholarships and encourage greater attendance overall. Cutting Sunday from the schedule would then be an option to be decided at a later date after the event schedule was decided.

The board discussed past and present attendance. It was agreed that the future attendance would most likely be significantly higher with the significant changes being made. A new board, clear defined committees and officers, placing a significant focus on fellowship in hospitality and activities would only increase overall attendance. Paul believes we need to be prepared to have a venue that can accommodate 600-700. The board agreed and the RFP will be written to reflect that number.

The members present agreed the preferred style for hospitality spaces was one large room with common seating and tables in the center and different hospitality groups scattered around the perimeter. The RFP will reflect this as a preferred style but will add individual suites/rooms as an option of the preferred model is not available at the venue bidding.

Due to the immediacy of needing to book speakers but needing more time to develop a schedule, Dale, when asking speakers about availability will ask for the weekend and not specify a day the speaker will be scheduled. This will allow us the flexibility in the line-up.

Paul asked to be reimbursed for the monthly \$10.99 fee for the website hosting. The board voted unanimously to reimburse Paul for the past 3 months (March-May, 2013-February was a free month)

and pay in advance, 3 months at a time (\$32.97) in the future. Neil will set up an automatic bill pay in our new banking account.

Paul asked to be reimbursed \$32.53 for copies made at Office Depot. The copies were for the surveys circulated at the 2013 LSF and for copies of the corporate documents filed with the Nebraska Secretary of State. The board unanimously agreed to the reimbursement. Paul indicated he did not have a problem waiting until the new checking account was created.

It was decided by the board the regular monthly board meetings would be the Second Sundays of the month at 1300 hours (1:00 p.m.) beginning in July. A location for the new meetings will be decided later.

The next meeting would be June 2, 2013 at 1300 hours (1:00 p.m.) and Neil will see if the Meeting Place will be available.

Paul, as Secretary of the corporation, will file the appropriate forms with the Nebraska Secretary of State to reflect the new board members and officers.

Meeting closed at 1530 hours (3:30 pm).

Respectfully Submitted by Paul Ramirez.