

**Iowa City Downtown District
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
May 23rd, 2019**

Voting Members Present: Michele Galvin, Mary Kate Pilcher Hayek, Greg Turner, Nick Lindsley, Naftaly Stramer, Joni Schrup, Amber Neville, David Kieft, Dave Nerad, Jigna Jani, Karen Kubby, Mark Ginsberg, Katie Roche

Non-Voting Members Present: Kate Moreland, Kim Casco, Nick Pfeiffer

Staff Present: Nancy Bird, Betsy Potter, Marcus Brown, Christopher Hunter

Call to Order

President Galvin called the meeting to order at 9:05 in Meeting Room D of the Iowa City Public Library.

Minutes

It was moved and seconded (Schrup, Ginsberg) to accept the April minutes. Motion passed 12-0.

Financials

Greg Turner presented the financial reports. Greg noted the gift card line item on the balance sheet is awaiting a contested amount of \$2400. In Profit and Loss, the \$3000 next to Block Party represents sponsorship from Hills Bank. He noted that \$25K of the \$35K needed for the Block Party has been raised. The District's SSMID Tax Assessment amounted to ~\$148,000. In expenses, the Merchandise line item is related to the purchase of tote bags. A small expense under General Liability, Events & Property Insurance is related to insurance for the Block Party. Approval of the financial report was moved and seconded (Schrup, Ginsberg). Motion passed 12-0.

Board Transitions

Nancy went over Board Member transitions. Board members stepping down are Mark Ginsberg, Joni Schrup, Wesley Ward, and Anne Armitage. Charlie Nusser, Karen Kubby, and Elsworth Carman were nominated as new board members. Karen Kubby stepped out of the room for this process. Approval of nominations was motioned and seconded (Hayek, Roche).

Susan Felker from Prairie Kitchen Store presented a slide deck of the concept and vision for their store. Their goal is to find a space and open in Spring of 2020. Currently eyeing 1,800 to 2,000 sf.

The draft Budget Proposal was discussed. Nancy noted that the City is not continuing their financial support of CoSign. ICDD will manage the sidewalk cleaning contract, and has signed an MOU. The budget also reflects CVB's funding for the Nighttime Mayor position.

The board discussed Nancy's performance review and salary. This was not a vote, rather a conversation.

Motion and second to adjourn meeting at 10:05 (Schrup, Ginsberg). Motion passed 12-0.