

# September 13th Agenda & Minutes Board of Directors Meeting

Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6259291254?pwd=M3dQalhYdFZkZ3BBZ2pFL045ZXlnUT09
Referenced Resources

Board Members Present: Joe F., Genna Wirth, Frankie Roberts, Joryn Appel-Hughes, Cedric Harrison, Lauren Hurley

Board Members Absent: Scott Whistnant, Keith Rhodes, Evelyn Bryant

Staff Present: Cierra, Evan

Community Members: Richard Crow

Call to Order: 10:04 by Cedric Harrison on September 13th, 2021

Reading and Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the August 9th, 2021 BOD meeting accepted as previously published and

posted and approved by unanimous consent

Quorum: 6 of 9 board members

#### **Orders of Business**

## Checkin's:

- I. Cierra Connected with Robert Taylor Senior Homes in planning shuttle service between housing development and farmers markets
- II. Evan Good event at Crafted Outpost
- III. Cedric Excited for today's meeting and the progress being made
- IV. Frankie Looking forward to the conversations of today in his fly suit
- V. Genna Navigating the loss of a friend
- VI. Jordyn Tuning in from the bedroom while
- VII. Joe Finley Looking forward development conversations
- VIII. Lauren Excited to be here today!

# **New Business:**

#### I. Guest Report: Richard Crow - Preferred Shares Protocol

- A. Revised amendments to bylaws for consistent terminology
  - 1. Notification on bylaws for having votes before holding meeting
- B. Consent of Directors Draft Notice for calling Member/Patron Meeting w/written ballot option
  - 1. At least 10 days but no more than 30-days notice for meeting (personally/website, email, regular mail). Meetings can be held virtually, but members need to be able to speak/hear
  - 2. Set-up as webinar, could include poll option for voting need to confirm if linked to individual
- C. Need at least 10% of members to show-up (in-person, mailed ballot, virtual); need majority vote to pass articles from the 10% of members in attendance

## II. Staff Report:

- A. Funding
  - 1. City = \$125k : operational costs around food distribution includes up to 75% of staff costs, to be spent down in 1-year

- a) Budget
- 2. Grants
- B. Non-Profit Update
  - Confirming details to NFC being "registered agent" of non-profit, signed report w/financial data submitted 9/10
  - 2. Board recruitment need 3: Natalie Parish, Marshall Brown,
    - a) potentially Randolph Keaton, Cordia Sloan
  - 3. What level of commitment is needed for the staff, what are the board's goals and expectations for staff and the non-profit?
  - 4. Possibility for bringing Ashley Daniels in for leadership development, advancing board goals that are not aligned with staff tasks

# C. Strategy

- 1. Food Access vs. Food Equity: only TWO nonprofits that offer affordable food equity opportunities while OVER 60 nonprofits offer free food opportunities
- 2. Potential Competition Conversation
  - a) County developments
  - b) Food Bank receives \$1 million from nCino
- 3. Parchie's Property Conversation
  - a) Term Sheet: \$2,500/month for 2-years propose to city/county fund 2-year pilot
  - b) Photos
  - c) Doodle Poll
- D. Bookkeeper Conversation
- E. Frankie's Outdoor Market Update
  - 1. Not offering free food opportunities during market operation

# Frankie's Farmers Market Project Status Update





#### Project Highlights (since last mtg):

- Hosted 4 markets
- Have a rotating number of 11-13 vendors

#### Training/Development

- Need to develop greater marketing in Rankin Terrace and surrounding areas
- Meat Handlers License
- Refrigeration at the Food Hub

# Project Risks:

- Still struggling to maintain consistent attendance from immediate Northside residents
- Free produce vs. Pay What You Can

# Decision/Requests:

 Would like to encourage all BOD members to attend and bring a guest

# Survey Highlights:

- 31.8% of people learned about the market through word of mouth
- 61.9% of attendees travel more than 6 blocks to attend the market
- "How would you rate the fruits and vegetables sold at the farmers market, compared to the other places in your neighborhood (such as a supermarket or corner store)"
  - 5 ppl said selection was a little
    worse
  - 7 ppl said the selection was much better
  - Price ranged from about the same to much better
  - Majority of people said quality of food was much better

F. Ownership Report

# Full 2021

NEW MEMBERSHIPS ** 12.1.21 thru 8.31.21										
	Dec 20'	Jan 21'	Feb 21'	Mar 21'	Apr 21'	May 21'	Jun 21'	July 21'	Aug 21'	Cumulative Total
Community-Owners	159	41	34	23	45	49	20	53	17	441
Northside Specific Owners (28401 & 28402)	57	5	8	2	20	19	3	17	6	137
Other Zip Codes	103	36	26	21	25	30	17	36	11	305
Pay it Forward Placed	8	-	-	8	5	3	1	10	2	37
Owners within 1 Mile Radius (estimated)							107			28.84%
Owners within 2 Mile Radius (estimated)							154			41.5%

- G. Pilot Store
  - 1. Draft Business Plan
- H. Match-Sponsor-Connect Program
  - 1. How can the Board help?

# III. President's Report:

I. N/A

# IV. Finance Committee Report:

- A. Income/Expense:
  - Total Cash position: \$28,942.74
     NFC Cash Position: \$16,818.95
  - 3. Frankie's Cash Position: \$12,123.79 (includes Sept expenses)
  - 4. Upcoming expenses to pay-out in September:
    - a) \$289.50 (vendor payback)
    - b) \$9,358 (contract fees)
  - 5. Guaranteed revenue to hit the bank in September:
    - a) 3,206.26 (venmo and Paypal)
- B. Progress on paid bookkeeper
  - 1. Review from meeting on August 18
  - 2. Barrier currently in auditing season and not taking new clients until after October; Genna to follow-up with Cedric's contact
- C. Preferred share structure and strategy (Evan): Process for establishing preferred shares for sale based on updates from Richard Crow
  - 1. Cedric Harrison brings the motion to vote on preferred share structure, Genna Wirth seconds. Vote passed with unanimous approval

# V. Marketing & Community Engagement Committee Report:

- A. Next community meeting: September 16th likely will be virtually
- B. September Events:

- 1. 9/12 from 1-4 at Crafted Outpost Market
- 2. 9/18 from 1-4 at Vigilant Hope (1626 Lake Branch Dr): Walk to the Grocery Store Simulation
  - a) Sign up; opportunity to participate in October
- 3. 9/24 @ Tidal Creek Co-op: Sustainable "POP-up" Market
- C. Planning for Thanksgiving event last year distributed pies
- D. Dec. 1 is the anniversary of when NFC began selling shares! Creating video w/first 5 shareholders

# **VI.** Enterprise Committee Report:

- A. Recap Strategic planning
  - 1. Bridge loan for Make-a-Meal will allow for program success + support

#### VII. Governance | Policy Committee Report:

- A. Cedric Harrison brings the motion to vote on bringing Cordia Sloan onto the NFC board. Genna Wirth seconds. Vote passed with unanimous approval
- B. Drafting document outlines processes for bringing on new board members, staff spending

## **Action Steps:**

- I. Cedric Harrison brings the motion to vote on preferred share structure, Genna Wirth seconds. Vote passed with unanimous approval
- II. Cedric Harrison brings the motion to vote on bringing Cordia Sloan onto the NFC board. Genna Wirth seconds.

  Vote passed with unanimous approval

## Next Steps & Proposed Agenda Items for Next Meeting:

- I. BY 9/14 Parchie's Property Conversation: Complete <u>Doodle Poll</u> and review <u>Term Sheet</u>, <u>Photos</u> by 9/14
- II. Genna connect staff with nCino

Meeting was adjourned at 12:00 by Cedric Harrison.

The next Board of Directors hybrid meeting will take place on **Monday, October 11th, 2021** from **10am-noon via Zoom**: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6259291254?pwd=M3dQalhYdFZkZ3BBZ2pFL045ZXInUT09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6259291254?pwd=M3dQalhYdFZkZ3BBZ2pFL045ZXInUT09</a>