



**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**November 23, 2020**  
**2:00 PM – 3:30 PM**  
**Via Zoom**

**Board Members:** P= Present, E = Excused

Ann Abdella	P	Helen Evans	P	Michael Pease	P
Ann Battaglia	P	Richard Kazel	E	Mandy Qualls	P
Barry Brogan	P	Nancy McGraw	E	Victoria Reid	P
Alison Coates	P	Bryan O'Donovan	P	Carrie Roseamelia	E
Charlotte Crawford	P	Gertrude O'Sullivan	P	Jack Salo	E
Anthony D'Agostino	P	Claire Parde	P	Mary Zelazny	E
Scott Emery	P	Paul Pettit	P	Karen Madden	E

**Staff:** Sara Bollinger, Karin Blackburn, Katie Rafferty

**1. Call to Order**

- Quorum established. 2:05pm
- Helen welcomed everyone.
- Agenda Modifications: none.
- Potential Conflicts Disclosed: none.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

- Board Meeting Minutes 9.28.2020 were approved (G. O'Sullivan/M. Pease)

**3. Appropriations Update**

- Helen gave an update on the meeting with Senator May's office that took place on 11/20/20. Taking the route of advocacy to move forward the request of reimbursement for the remaining facilities.

**4. Reports**

- Finance Committee
  - Karin requested approval for moving the NYSARH Quickbooks file from the server version to the on-line version. This will prove to be more effective for staff working remotely. Approved. (B. O'Donovan/A. Coates)
  - Katie provided the Quarter 3 Financials
  - Ann Abdella reviewed the Legislative Appropriations slides for the Board.
  - 2021 Budget Scenarios
    - Recommending deficit budget that the staff and Finance Committee will monitor closely

- Katie presented the 12 month conservative budget with a net loss of \$44,149.90.  
Claire suggested we re-visit the budget as a full Board mid-year. Ann Abdella responded that the Finance Committee would do it, but if the full Board wants to do it, that's would be the route we would go.
- Ann Abdella noted that the Legislative Appropriations is still out there another year.
- Finance Committee and staff will keep a close eye on every penny.
- Claire wasn't sure what NYSARH's precedent was on approving a negative budget.
- Board approved the Finance Committee's the 2021 conservative budget recommendation, and then would like to a budget update at six months. (C. Parde/A. Coates)
- There was a question about the type of audit NYSARH would require if the remaining Appropriations didn't come through. The Board agreed that regardless, a full audit would be done for transparency and accountability purposes.

## **5. Strategic Planning**

- Diversity agenda to the membership goals of the Strategic Plan.
- Claire reminded everyone about the Board training the following week.

## **6. Management Report**

- The NRHA SRHA TA proposal was submitted by the deadline. Copy of the proposal was shared with the Board.
- 47 people attended the National Rural Health Day Awards Ceremony.
- Ali Coates will be an NRHA Fellow

## **8. Comments and Announcements**

- None.

## **9. Adjournment**

- (H. Evans/M. Pease) at 3:19pm.

Next meeting: December 21, 2020 from 2pm – 3pm