

Minutes, Board of Directors Meeting, March 5, 2013

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors (the Board) of Trans Pride Initiative, a Texas corporation (the Corporation), was held March 5, 2013, at 6:48pm Central Standard Time. The meeting place was the home of Nell Gaither.

Directors Present

Nell Gaither, Simone Stevens

Directors Absent

Jamila Davis

Guests Present

Dub Windsor

Call to Order

Nell Gaither called the meeting to order at 6:48pm. Nell Gaither recorded the minutes in the absence of Secretary Jamila Davis. A quorum of directors was present, and the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with business.

Reports from Officers

President

Nell Gaither briefly went over the various undertakings since the last meeting on November 12, 2012:

- Elected to Treasurer position on board of Out & Equal, DFW Affiliate
- Helped file name and gender change, writing instruction packet to help others
- Attended FORGE webinar on Intersections of Sex Work and Violence (November 29); follow-up communication with Claudia O’Leary
- Table at World AIDS Day, thanks to Travis Gaspar and AIN
- November 30—Began working on campaign to get City of Dallas to remove trans exceptions from insurance coverage; give overview of progress
- Attended Fenway Clinic Trans Healthcare 101 webinar (December 11)—has some good slides
- “Joined” Delia Jasso’s LGBT Task Force
- Participating in LULAC Rainbow Chapter and HRC Steering Committee (the latter not certain—noted on agenda but not discussed)
- “gender identity and expression” added to RWPC Standards of Care (still waiting on official vote)
- USHHS LGBT Roundtable discussion
- Arranging mobile mammography unit and giving presentation at Black Transmen conference

Secretary

In the absence of the Secretary, acting Secretary Nell Gaither provided the following:

- Presented the minutes from the November 12, 2012, meeting of the Board for approval. Motion by Simone Stevens that the minutes be approved; Nell seconded.

Treasurer

Simone Stevens presented the Treasurer’s report:

- Treasurer noted that we have \$336.49 in restricted funds, this amount from earnings from the presentation to UT Southwestern. President questioned why this amount was restricted and was told that the President instructed the Treasurer to make them restricted. The President had no recollection of

doing so, so at the next meeting of the board, a proposal will be made to remove restrictions from these funds.¹

- Treasurer stated that all required submissions to the Internal Revenue Service and the State of Texas have been completed and filed.
- Treasurer presented year-end and current balances.

New Business

- President discussed idea of CME/CEU workshops for medical professionals; all agreed it is a good idea to pursue, but would be better to have someone who could take charge of the project; no suggestions as to who that might be.
- Possible work with Parkland was discussed. We are still waiting to see what happens with this. This will remain new business until we know more.
- Discussed the possibility of someone to run a GED program. President noted that several pieces are in place (venue, probable relationship with DISD), but really needs someone to take charge. No suggestions as to who that might be.
- Open discussion about direction of Trans Pride. No specific suggestions.
- Out of the open discussion, we talked about the possibility of a monthly meeting for all folks interested in the work of the local trans* groups. Suggested name was “Trans Network Affiliates.” We will take informal polling (probably not till after BTMI conference) on times and places that would work for folks. Suggestions were Lucky’s Diner on Oak Lawn and Eden Lounge in Deep Ellum.

Open End

- No open end discussion

Action Items

- All (including our guest Dub) will talk to folks about monthly TNA meetings concerning time and place suggestions.

Adjourn meeting

The Treasurer motioned that the meeting be adjourned. The President seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nell Gaither, acting Recording Secretary

Date

¹ The question was later researched. As reflected in the minutes of September 10, 2012, the Treasurer had set up a health and wellness account “for a fundraising effort to help pay for labs for TG Healthcare Program participants,” and it was set up as a restricted account. However, that account was set up for a potential social media effort to raise funds specifically for the GEAR TG Healthcare Program, and only for funds raised specifically for that purpose. Since that time, GEAR has begun their scholarship program, and this specific fundraising effort by TPI has not been started. The intent of the account was only for specific funds raised for that purpose. It was never intended to receive funds from other activities, such as the training workshop for UT Southwestern staff. This should be clarified at the next meeting of the board, and adjustments to the account balances made.

