

**Positive VOICE 2019 Annual Meeting Minutes**  
May 6, 2019

Present:

Executive Board Members: Lynn Nash (presiding), Nicole Kurth, Dan Meinhardt, Nick Westphal, Lloyd Schaefer, Aaron Alexander, and Anna Grunseth (recording).  
Guests: Joanie Dovekas, Sharon Koob, Tim Carlson, Dennis Krenn, Mary Kay Wagner  
Location: Rosati's Pizza

Lynn called the meeting to order at 6:37 pm.

- Secretary Report (Anna):
  - Anna read the 2018 minutes to the group.  
2018 Minutes approved. Motion: Nick, Second: Tim
  
- Treasurer Report (Nick):
  - We had a unique component to our income this year - the memorial fund for Zoe Combs (\$1935.36). This money was a surprise to us above and beyond our yearly revenue. As such our scholarship expenditures increased. Our highest expense was scholarships (\$800), second highest was event fees (\$694.96).
  - This year we focused on fundraising instead of membership dues, and we are generally stable compared to the prior year.
  - We have a total yearly surplus of \$820.13 over last year
  - We rectified the higher level of PayPal surcharge this year (~1% vs 2.9%) due to our nonprofit status.
  - 2018 Report approved. Motion: Anna Second: Joanie.
  
- Public Relations and Website Development Report (Anna):
  - In 2018 Anna took over Webmaster duties for our website and Facebook page. This involves event promotion, sharing news updates, and other kinds of outreach. Anna also manages new incoming membership requests through our website's member sign-up form.
  - Anna also oversees the technical aspects of the Positive VOICE website and email services. She takes care of changes and problems as they come up.
    - Some recent website domain and email forwarding issues are now resolved. Positive VOICE / Anna is now in charge of the website domain on GoDaddy - the site properly loads after the settings were updated with the right hosting address. It's uncertain why it initially stopped working, though. Anna also reconfigured email forwarding on the new GoDaddy account - Lynn wasn't receiving mail from [info@pvinc.org](mailto:info@pvinc.org) for several weeks.
  
- Trans Group (Lynn):
  - The group is on hiatus until Sept. There's been a major change in attendance - we had a consistent group of 10-12 people who moved on and no longer needed a

support group. Attendance dropped to 1-2 per session. We discussed moving the group to Green Bay and assessing the need for the group. By Sept. we will make a decision on whether to continue the group.

- The members present discussed the role of the Adult GSA group as it relates to trans-inclusive support in the area.
  - Aaron brought up a prior proposal of merging Positive VOICE with the Adult GSA for a more comprehensive group. Lynn said that we will discuss strategic directions more this summer. Nick mentioned options for co-programming with GLSEN - something to think about as we move forward.
  - Joanie raised the fact that Stacie Christian is raising money for an LGBTQ community center in downtown Green Bay. An old church - the current Arketype building. The goal is to have common space for all organizations use and have an office. Joanie suggests not moving too quickly in making structural changes considering that this space could open in a year or so. It could be a big opportunity.
- President's Report (Lynn):
    - Lynn recognized Lloyd's 25 years of service to Positive VOICE in many different capacities.
    - Lloyd will continue to help out here and there and he may attend some future meetings.
    - 2018 Event Highlights:
      - Ice Cream Social
      - Trans/Ally Picnic
      - Chipotle Fundraiser
      - Fall Harvest Hike
      - Hillside Harvest Ramble
      - Bowling
      - Pizza Social
      - Pampered Chef Fundraiser
      - Game Night
      - Heartland Pizza Company Fundraiser
      - Love is Love Art Exhibit
      - Chili Cook-Off
      - Safety Talk at UWGB
- Board member nominations/elections:
    - There are several board positions available at the moment. Lynn is up for renewal and asked if anyone else wants to join the board. Officer elections take place at the June meeting.
    - Joanie nominates Mary Kay for a board membership. Dan seconds.
    - Nicole collected ballots: the vote tally is 9 people both for Lynn and Mary Kay. Everyone welcomed Mary Kay back to the board.

Meeting adjourned at 7:31pm Motion: Tim, Second: Nicole

June meeting is at Tucson's Grill on June 3rd. 6:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by AKG.