

THRIVE! Coalition Meeting 1/14/19

Discussions

Attending: Steve Krest, Mark Swanson & Ilona Hruska, Kaitlin Fischer, Sarah Wilhelm, Peter Tregillus, Pat Rustad

5:30PM

Initial discussions focused on Pat; bringing her up to date on what has happened with the organization over the last three months.

Peter discussed his findings in all the boxes of material he had received from the previous ED. Peter explained the data entry assignments from the lists of contacts obtained at the Chuck Collins events.

Discussion about how we can best get the word out about the coupon donations in the Locals First Coupon Book: Write a letter (electronic) to all supporters on our list. Ask businesses to collect the donation coupon when their coupon is used by a customer. Peter will make an announcement at the next Indivisible Durango meeting. The Deadline for submittal to the payroll Department is Friday, March 1st.

The Mail Chimp issue is unresolved and Peter will get with Darrin to get our questions answered.

Have the TERP application fees been received or even billed? Kaitlin and Sarah will investigate this and report back ASAP.

Pat Rustad was nominated and selected to serve on the Steering Committee.

Pat and Carol Cure will serve along with Kaitlin on the TERP Review Committee, pending Carol's agreeance. Steve will contact Carol.

Fund Raising is our most critical issue at this time. Ideas were suggested:

+Peter will focus on contacting major donors. +Sarah will contact San Juan RC&D to see if we can do a raffle using their 501(c) 3 status. +Kaitlin spoke about a "sip & dip" event that Mary Clark hosts. +Steve suggested showing a film/documentary at the Library or Ft Lewis that focuses on Living Wage or income inequality. +Mark suggested

a benefit concert featuring Tim Sullivan. +A gala at the Strater in August. +A benefit dinner at the UU. +Red Snapper drinks in October, Ilona will review with Lynn Griffin. +Mark will follow up with Durango Outdoor Exchange for a donation. +Secret Garden events at the Rochester, Sarah will follow up. + Steve will investigate donation applications at LPEA and the Casino. + A Poetry Slam as a fund raiser. + House Party. +Academy Awards Watch Party at Animas City Theater. +Mark and Ilona both felt that the Dine Out Durango had run its course, however they have good contacts with a number of restaurants.

Resolution #1-19 (attached) was read into the minutes and adopted by unanimous consensus.

We need a budget as soon as possible.

Sarah was recognized for her great presentation at the Green Business Roundtable. The La Plata Dems want her to give it to their meeting in September. There was mention of an Economic Development Conference in the fall that Thrive might be a good candidate to speak at.

Kaitlin spoke about her involvement with Rachel Landis at the Good Food Collective. They are developing a mobile labor work force and will be meeting in February for trainings.

Meeting adjourned 7:30PM

Resolution #1-19 of the Thrive Steering Committee

Whereas:

- The Steering Committee is in need of additional members to develop organizational infrastructure.
- There are interested individuals willing and qualified to serve on the Steering Committee now.
- Current organizational procedures (by-laws?) require that prospective steering committee members attend at least two Coalition meetings, yet, Coalition meetings have not been held for several months, leaving us blocked from following our own procedures.
- However, Thrive does not have a formal incorporation and has no Articles or By-laws registered with the State of Colorado.

Now Therefore

- The Thrive Steering Committee waives the requirement to hold Coalition meetings in order to induct additional Steering Committee members.
- Thrive enacts this resolution to provide organizational documentation that the Steering Committee sees this as critical to maintaining organizational infrastructure, now in 2019.

Adopted January 14, 2019