

Minutes of Board Meeting

October 16, 2016

Board members present: Karen Davis, Paul Gilsdorf, Bussho Lahn, Deb Mielke, Jim Niland, Wayne Moskowitz, Randy Wedin,

Staff members present: Tim Burkett, Admin. Director

Other MZMC members present: None

Attachments/handouts: Minutes September meeting, Agenda, Annual Goals 2016 and 2017,

1. September 2016 Minutes: Approved with no changes. Jim moves, Wayne seconds.

2. Disclose any Conflicts of Interest: None disclosed.

4. Development Committee Discussion: (Wayne) the board discussed outreach and development. Randy suggested an event for 2017 where MZMC would partner with several well-known organizations to host a series of talks devoted to meditation and mindfulness from different perspectives. (I am intentionally leaving out the names of the specific organizations mentioned.)

Other MZMC outreach efforts were then discussed.

- Randy will write up his 2017 event idea in more detail.
- Jim and Bussho will contact Ben about his book tour this year and ask how we can help support him/the book, and if we can add his contacts to the database.
- Karen (with Rosemary) will work to add SZBA contacts to database and group donors for specific asks.
- Tim will ask Wanda about the places they visited on their book tour for addition to the database.
- Tim and Wayne will work on making connections with media outlets.

The Board will have a “check-in” each month about how things are going in their role as ambassadors.

After some discussion about fundraising methods, **a motion was approved to ask Thomas Bruner for his pro bono help in fundraising. Karen moves, Wayne seconds. Bussho abstains, due to his reservations about the style of direct asks that may be used.**

5. Annual Goals 2017: (Wayne and Admin. Dir.) **Annual goals for 2017 were proposed, discussed, altered, and then unanimously approved. Jim moves, Paul seconds. See goals attached.**

6. Committee Reports:

Randy reported on progress in the membership including goals amount of \$73,000.
Deb reported on the success of the fall tea ceremonies.
Karen and Admin. committed to doing more work on the New Year Greeting/end-of-the-year fundraiser.
Paul reported on plans for movie night of February 3 at 7:30 p.m.

7. New Business: None

8. Adjourn: Karen moves and Wayne seconds. Meeting adjourned.