

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Tuesday, June 5, 2018 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

	Agenda Item	Discussion	Decisions
1.	Call to order		The meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m.
2.	Approve minutes from the May meeting		The motion to approve the minutes carried.
3.	Update from Jill	Jill reported that she has been spending a good share of time working on infrastructure and processes, especially budgeting and bookkeeping. Jill asked the group whether we want to differentiate revenues by services we provide.	The group agreed that it isn't necessary to differentiate.
		Jack Dyer has asked to be added as a signer on the bank account so that he can have access to online banking.	A motion to add Jack as a signer was approved.
		Jill brought up the question of needing a Public Policy Director, as was called for in the business plan. She sees the position as someone who mostly does analysis and research. The board discussed other possible tasks for the new hire.	The board agreed we are not wedded to having a director. Jill would like to have a job description ready to present at the next board meeting in July, and start recruiting in August.
4.	DISCUSSION: Operationalizing Board work/roles now that we have an ED	There was discussion on how to deal with guests coming to WACF meetings in the future. It was decided that if a guest wants to come, we should run it past Jill first. She can see what the guest would like to discuss and determine if they should come to a full membership meeting, or a division meeting.	
		Jill requested that for the time being, err on the side of inclusion and invite her to meetings you'll be attending. She added that it can be confusing at	

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	meetings when some people introduce themselves as their agency and some as their agency and WACF.	
	Tom looked at some government structures to see how boards function in the U.S. In the one Tom is most familiar with, there are 3 sets of policies, one is for governance (applies to the board), one is for board CEO relationship, and the last is CEO/Executive limitations. He thinks that out of those 3 sets of policies there might be 15 or so that we can draw upon as we decide what our model will be and to institutionalize what our policies are around those three categories.	Tom volunteered to write up a draft of some policies and bring it to the board.
5. DISCUSSION: WACF Membership recruitment and retention	 After visiting many agencies, Jill offered some feedback: 1. Some agencies don't feel well represented by the association, either in terms of legislative agenda or representing the group as a whole. 2. Some agencies see us as only focused on advocacy, and feel their agency doesn't benefit from rate conversations. Jill stated that all agencies are doing great practices and we need to focus more on information sharing and collaboration with each other, and with 	
	the Dept. (creating a community of practice).	
6. Public Policy report: 2019 Legislative Agenda issues	Several board members attended a joint WACF/CWAC meeting last week with new Dept. staff. CA talked largely about needing to get their decision packages together. Ross Hunter addressed the complexity of HB 2008 and the BRS Rate Committee. Ross hopes that in the future providers will work with the Dept. instead of going to the legislature to get legislation passed to force DCYF to do specific things. He would rather talk more during the session to make things happen administratively.	
	HB 2008 included a requirement for CA to pull together a workgroup on BRS rates. CA already wanted to work systemically on rates across their system. CA just signed a contract with Public Consultant Group (PCG) and the first rates they will look at are BRS rates and then foster care. There was discussion that WACF should advocate to have PCG look at all provider's rate structures including in-home.	
	Charlotte added that at the CWAC meeting last week she told CWAC that they will probably drop the travel money agenda item and focus more on a whole new rate structure. Jenny understands the need for some kind of capacity funding.	
	Statewide BRS Workgroup meeting to address Rate Study issues scheduled for June 12, 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m 4045 Delridge Way SW Suite 300 Seattle, WA 98106, Conference room 353.	

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	Charlotte reported that at the end of the CWAC meeting last week members were asked to provide examples of how they would know if a culture shift had happened.	Send your examples to Jill to present at the next CWAC meeting. Brian asked if the divisions could get their legislative agenda nailed down in July and ready to present at August
		membership meeting.
7. Agenda for 6/14 CA meeting	The next quarterly WACF/CA meeting is: June 14 th 12:30 – 2:30 p.m. at the Tacoma DSHS office.	
	 Some ideas for agenda items presented were: WACF's priorities and how can we work collaboratively Help us understand the new Dept. structure Who will attend future meetings? CA's plan on FFA How is the Dept. moving forward with performance-based contracting? What Decision Packages are in the works? When should we meet? 	
8. Review/Revise annual calendar		We did not get to this agenda item other than to reschedule July Board and possibly division meetings. Linda will see if she can get a room for the Board meeting on July 10 th .
9. Membership meeting agenda		We did not get to this agenda item.
10. Adjournment		The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Prepared by Linda Conchi

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