

# MOUNTAIN RESOURCE CENTER

Regular Board Meeting – September 26, 2023

Peter Brettell – President Jim Walpole – Treasurer Christy Seabourne – Vice-President Christy Stricker - Secretary

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Peter Brettell.

Present: Sarah Kinzer (CEO), Steve Hayes, Peter Brettell, Addie Nicholson, Christy Stricker, Christy Seabourne,

Gil Gomez, Miles McNamee, Tracy Hofeditz, Jim Walpole, Marilyn Saltzman, Rebecca Taylor

Absent: Clif Watkins

#### **Mission Moment**

Christine Senavsky is responsible for writing MRC grants, including completing applications, investigating the asks of each grantor, and new agencies to reach out to. MRC obtains grants from private funders, family foundations, government agencies and corporate agencies. Christine also takes on a stewardship role, submitting required information to funders, forming relationships with funders and keeping them up to date. There are many moving parts within MRC, including constantly collecting information from different people, that Christine brings together to fulfill grant requirements. She has a 50 percent success rate with funding of grants.

#### Approval of previous Board meeting minutes

A motion to approve the July Board minutes, as presented, was made by Steve Hayes, seconded by Jim Walpole, and approved unanimously.

### **CEO Report**

Thank you to all board members who came and participated in the gala. MRC applied for 12 grants by September 1, 2023, and will hear from those by the end of year. November 14, 2023, Troutdale tavern will host a fundraising event for MRC. Inspection for preschool licensing went very well. The zoning meeting was September 20, 2023, and community comments will be allowed for a few weeks to voice concerns. CORE Electric will present about LEAP and weatherization to the Community Cafe. Francine, the new facilities manager, has done amazing work with the landscaping and making the building look great.

Ashley Boland has retired to stay at home with her kids. Sarah is interviewing candidates for her position. The board would like to thank Ashley for all her work, especially with the gala.

New auditor, Taylor Roth & Co, was on site for 3 days and was very thorough. Quality of the auditor was much higher than previous years.

#### **Executive Committee Report**

none

# **Finance Committee Report**

First 2 months of the fiscal year put MRC in a very good position. Employee Retention tax credits for June and July were moved to the previous fiscal year when it was earned. Finance committee agreed to pursue investments with BMO bank. MRC opened a savings account at First Bank with 2.5% interest and is considering opening a CD somewhere, but still looking at options.

#### **Old Business**

Total revenue for the gala was \$126, 652, with a net revenue over \$100,000. MRC went over our goal for the event. Funds will be used to kick off the upcoming preschool.

### **New Business**

Thank you to board members who submitted evaluations for Sarah. Officers need to be nominated and voted on for next year, beginning in November. Marilyn will chair a nomination committee, and asked board members to put forward nominations.

Adjourned at 6:23 pm by Peter Brettell.

Submitted by Christy Stricker

Approved by Board: November 28, 2023