

Asperger Works

Monthly Board Meeting

August 2, 2021

The monthly meeting was held in person at 346 Broadway, Haverhill with two people joining virtually using the Zoom app. It was called to order by Josiah Morrow at 6:41 PM.

Attending: Josiah Morrow, Adam Rajczyk, Daniel Rajczyk, Eva Rajczyk, Lisa Rajczyk and Andrea Watson.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Daniel Rajczyk and seconded by Adam Rajczyk to accept the minutes of July 6, 2021 as presented to the Board by Eva Rajczyk. The Board unanimously voted to accept.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Andrea Watson and seconded by Daniel Rajczyk to accept the Treasurer's Report of August 2, 2021 as presented to the Board by Adam Rajczyk. The Board unanimously voted to accept and file for audit.

DINNER OF HOPE

- Honorees:
 - Bryan Noble Award: Yvonne Christian – she responded and is very happy about the nomination – sent photo and bio for booklet
 - AWorks Award: Tim Coco
 - Community Service Award: The Professional Center for Child Development – CEO responded in the affirmative and indicated that they plan to buy at least one table. He also inquired whether or not we accept sponsorships.
- Keynote Speaker: Eva Rajczyk contacted U.S. Representative Lori Trahan's office and had not heard back. She will email aide to find out if she will be available. If there is no response by end-of-day Wednesday, Eva will contact Attorney General Maura Healy.
- Eva Rajczyk informed those present that she applied for a \$2000 sponsorship to the Boston Red Sox Foundation. Now we just have to wait and hope for the best.
- We need raffle items – Andrea Watson volunteered to see if she can get some
- We need to contact potential advertisers – Andrea Watson indicated that she will work on that
- We should try to get more sponsors
- Eva Rajczyk will email Tim Coco regarding being our Dinner MC and to see if he could print our booklets

- Post-card reminders should be sent out (Save the Date) – see Canva (cheaper than VistaPrint) – should be done this week
- Silent auction is all set

BOARD RECRUITMENT

- Although Josiah Morrow and Eva Rajczyk had a nice meeting on Zoom with GHCC CEO Irene Haley, it has not resulted in support from the Chamber
- Eva Rajczyk put an ad into Facebook. It had over 1000 impressions with one person (Cristle Roberts-Maharjan) actually applying. Eva will contact her via email/phone and arrange for a meeting that will include Josiah Morrow, Adam Rajczyk, and Eva Rajczyk.

OFFICE LEASE

- A motion was made by Eva Rajczyk and seconded by Daniel Rajczyk to accept the renewed lease with the First Presbyterian Church of Haverhill for one year. The vote to accept was unanimous with 1 abstention (Josiah Morrow – he is an elder in the Church)
 - Rent fee: \$160.00 a month
 - Hours changed to 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM with pick-up and drop-off on weekends
 - Pastor Row donated \$240 for the year to offset rent fee by \$20 a month

OTHER

- Eva Rajczyk informed those present that she created two e-mail groups (Directors and Advisors and Directors) to make it easier for AWorks members to contact everyone in the organization
- Eva Rajczyk informed those present that our organization won third prize of \$1000 in the LYC (Love Your Community) contest sponsored by Northeast Credit Union of Portsmouth, NH. A check will be forwarded to us within 30 days.
- Eva Rajczyk was contact by the Doug Flutie Jr. Foundation to participate in their 5k fundraiser.
 - All monies earned by our participants would come to us
 - They will take care of promotional items, etc.
 - Participation can be in person at the event or at satellite community events or virtually
- Andrea Watson suggested that we apply for the Ben & Jerry's Foundation national grant and to try for the Boston Foundation (\$50,000 grant) again.
- We now have 6 clients

Eva Rajczyk made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Daniel Rajczyk and was unanimously approved by those present. The meeting formally adjourned at 7:53 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by

Eva

M. Eva Rajczyk
Board Secretary

IMPORTANT DATES:

Dinner of Hope Ticket Sale	July 1, 2021 – October 7, 2021
Monthly Meeting	September 7, 2021 6:30 PM (<i>in-person and virtual</i>)
Dinner of Hope	October 8, 2021