**Friends of Carrollwood Cultural Center**

**Board Meeting**

**June 21, 2023**

**Carrollwood Cultural Center**

Meeting was held at the center and on Google Meet

**Board Members Present**: Bill DeMare, *President,* Evelyn Bless, *Secretary*, Neil Smith, Sophia Denicolo, Jenifer Mirin. Craig Ruska, Alan Preston *Treasurer*

**Online**: none

**Board Members Absent***,* Susan Baxter Gibson *Vice President*

**Staff Members Present**: Paul Berg*, Executive Director*

**Guests**: Nancy Manning

**Call to order**, quorum present, at 11:15 a.m. Bill DeMare, *President.*

**Pledge of allegiance:**

**Public Comment:** none

1. **Adoption of Agenda Bill DeMare**

**Motion:** Alan Preston

**Second:**Craig Ruska

**Approve: 7-0**

1. **Consent Agenda Approval:** with minor correction to May minutes **Bill DeMare**

**Board Minutes:** May

**Governance committee-**May

**Executive director’s Report**

**Motion:** Evelyn Bless

**Second:** Neil Smith

**Motion Passed: 7-0**

1. **Finance Update**: Alan Preston reported that the center I $25,000 above where we had planned to be. Paul said that we still have a final state payment that will come in. Alan stated that the center should be very good at the end of the year...The donations and membership is almost $ 290,000 year to date. County funds that we receive are less than that.
2. **Governance committee:** Evelyn Bless said that the committee is taking a recess. Bill announced that he is interviewing a candidate for the board tomorrow. That committee expresses concern with the volunteer program. Paul gave the board information about the program and what is being done to address the problems.
3. **Strategic Planning update:** Bill proposed that the finance committee put together a 3-year forecast. that would include a disposable cash plan so that the board would know how much money there is to spend. This would allow the board to put together what the most important items are.
4. **Board Priorities**: Bill would like to bring in a consultant to assist the board in raising funds. This service could start in November.
5. **Unfinished Business:** covered.
6. **New Business:** July board meeting cancelled.
7. **Round Robin**: Sophia is looking forward to working with a consultant to improve the possibilities for families. Jennifer is impressed with the “sell outs” especially the chorus. Evelyn said that this place is uniquely friendly and accessible, and she is excited about the direction that the board is taking. Linda talked about upstairs/ downstairs returning to the center.
8. **Adjournment time:** 12:50

Submitted by: Linda Delapenha, recording secretary.