



Board Meeting Minutes

September 25th, 2017, 7:45-9:00pm

Attending: Melissa Borsting (ED), Baj Kochar (Board), Neil Subhash (Board), Sean Stratman (EFP Program Manager), Claire Foster (Secretary), Hannah Cavendish-Palmer (President), Meredith Molli (VP), Erin Ericson (Board), Nancy Marshall (Treasurer)

Call to Order, minutes approval from July 2017 – passed with one abstention

Executive Director's report highlights (Melissa)

See separate document

Strategic Plan update: reviewed goals set, need to spend some time on advocacy and schedule the ag summit, behind schedule on job descriptions and employee handbook. Branding proposals are in, Meredith and Claire to help review them.

Board recruitment, discussed potential candidates and made a plan to reach out to them.

Doug Teakell, Baj Kochar, Meredith Molli, and Nancy Marshall currently have seats that will be available.

2017 Budgeting Process

Melissa to start drafting budget ideas, need to review where the EFP is going as a program especially in order to be able to establish a realistic tool set for accomplishing that goal.

Updates from partners (WID, SVFC, KC Ag Commission)

-WID: marketing window will be Oct. 15th-Dec 1st for leasing water rights, also divided WID members into smaller drainage basins to rank the level of concerns present in those areas (basin 56, primarily Remlingers, basin 9 (Herbco/Tuck Creek), basin 1 (Pearson-Eddy) are currently ranking with highest needs) to move forward drainage projects that might not be able to move forward by ADAP.

-SVPA: seeking a needs assessment to find out what city and ag needs are for the future

-FFF 2.0 starting in Nov., the advisory committee name is changing, Meredith will be serving as the rep for both Ag Commission and SVT to the advisory group (1 out of 15 people), then more people will be brought in for task force meetings.

-Ag Commission is working on a letter regarding a concluding study on the impact of the emerging winery industry in the Sammamish APD and other ag zoned land, many of which are enrolled in FPP.

Adjourn/Late Happy Hour

Next meeting: Oct. 19th, SVT Office. 6:30-8:30pm.