

BOARD MEETING

Minutes

December 9, 2020

Via ZOOM

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Convene at 2:00 p.m. CST

Attending: JC Hobbs, Lori Miller, Connie Smotek, Guido van der Hoeven, Travis Mountain, Adam Kantrovich, Bill Klump, Greg Bouchard, Barry Ward. Absent: Virginia Uzendowski

Having a quorum, JC Hobbs, Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:02 pm Central time.

1. Moment of Reflection was held to remember Robert Achenbach.
2. July minutes: The president reported these minutes were missing at this time.
3. Abbreviated 2020 Financial Report: Status Quo December 7, 2020 was received. See attached.
4. President's Report – van der Hoeven
 - a. The president updated and reported to the Board his activities since being notified of Robert Achenbach's death on November 7, 2020. Actions have been taken to contact Omni Press and Wells Fargo to facilitate LGUTEF operations.
5. VP for editorial services report – Miller
 - a. Lori Miller reported she was working on the annual supplement to NITW.

Committee Reports See 2020 committee assignments:

6. Contractual Services Committee – Kantrovich
 - a. CSC is to meet with Connie Smotek and come to terms for 2021 and make a recommendation to the Board. (see below)
7. Long-range Planning Committee – Uzendowski
 - a. Have not met, nothing reported.
8. Audit Committee – Klump
 - a. Have not met, nothing to report.

Announcements:

9. January meeting, originally scheduled to be held in San Antonio at the Menger Hotel will be virtual, rebooked for January 2022.
10. July 2021 meeting, scheduled to be held at the Grouse Mountain Lodge, Whitefish, MT, Robert made arrangements to push it out a year.

Old/New Business

11. CAO for the long-term options to consider:
 - a. Engage an individual such as LGUTEF has used in the past: Connie to Robert now Connie for an interim period. Board discussed a preference for a person familiar with LGUTEF. Directed Contractual Services Committee to meet with Connie Smotek who indicated an interest in this as a permanent position. CSC to report at next Board meeting.

- b. Investigate engaging an entity with perhaps a long-term outlook. Board was disinclined to pursue this option at this time.

New Business

12. Robert Betts has offered to go to the Achenbach's house to see if files can be located and subsequently forwarded to Connie. Debra Achenbach is agreeable; however, she is recovering from surgery and asks for time to recover.
 - a. Barry Ward moved; Bill Klump seconded a motion to compensate Robert Betts for his out-of-pocket expenses. Motion carried.
13. Seeking guidance from the Board relative to developing LGUTEF Budget and book prices
 - a. NITW
 - b. ATI

The Board tabled this discussion until such time that better financial information is available.

14. Does the Board feel it prudent to meet again later this month to review a budget with more time for development?
 - a. The Board scheduled a follow-up Board meeting to take place January 8, 2021 at 2 pm Central time via Zoom.

No further discussion ensued, meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 2:55 pm Central time.

Respectfully submitted,

Guido van der Hoeven, President