



Executive Board

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 29, 2024, 10 am

Present | Bill Siedhoff, Cynthia Crim, Ann Bannes, Karl Wilson, Skip Batchelor, Mary Wheeler

Excused | Sr. Mary Ann Nestel

Senior Fund Staff | Jamie Opsal, Stephanie Herbers, Katie Ratkowski

Other Attendees | Matthew McBride (Lashly Baer, External Counsel), Susan Kabat (MHB, Contracted Accountant), Bill Kuehling (External Consultant), Gerry Connolly (Community Member)

Review and Approval of Minutes (*Bill Siedhoff*)

Ann Bannes made a motion to approve the June minutes as presented, Skip Batchelor seconded; All were in favor of approving minutes.

Program and Grants Committee (*Ann Bannes and Stephanie Herbers*)

Emergency Grants Request | Presented request from Operation Food Search, they sought funds to support a portion of expenses for two markets at Five Star Center and Homer G. Phillips Senior Apartments to cover a gap in funding due to an unexpected funding change. Grants Committee recommended providing support in the amount of \$12,500. This amount would not cover all the expenses, but the organization reported having access to some cash reserves to cover the remainder.

Skip Batchelor made a motion to approve the grant in the amount of \$12,500, Karl Wilson seconded; Board unanimously approved.

Executive Director Report (*Jamie Opsal*)

Accounting Services Approval | Senior Fund released an RFP for Controller services in July. After reviewing the four proposals, staff would like to move forward with contracting Schmersahl Treloar & Co. The decision was because of the firm's experience with governmental accounting, that they are locally based, and their emphasis on process improvement.

Karl Wilson made a motion to approve contracting Schmersahl Treloar & Co for Controller Services, Cynthia Crim seconded; Board unanimously approved.

Executive Session

Skip Batchelor moved to close the meeting for an executive session pursuant to Section 610.021(3), RSMo., to discuss personnel matters, Ann Bannes seconded. The Executive Board voted as follows:

*Ann Bannes – Yes
Cynthia Crim – Yes
Bill Siedhoff – Yes
Karl Wilson – Yes*

*Skip Batchelor – Yes
Sr. Mary Ann Nestel – Yes
Mary Wheeler – Yes*

*Next full board meeting is scheduled for **September 26 at 10am.***