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Board of Directors Lease and Building Committee Wednesday, June 14, 2023 @ 4:00 pm Via Zoom

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Chair Rienks called the meeting to order at 4:04 pm.

2. Roll Call

Committee members present: Jennifer Rienks, PhD (Chair); Samantha Ramirez (Board Member);
Cathy Taylor (Community Member)

Staff present: Louis Weiner (Executive Assistant)

Guests present: Jill Kinney (VP Marketing and Communications)

3. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

4. Approval of Agenda / Approval of Minutes

Agenda approval: It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the agenda.

Minutes approval: It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the minutes of the meeting of March 22, 2023.

5. Review: Seminar “Adolescents and Eating Disorders” May 24, 2023

The seminar was very interesting, but Dr. Accurso focused more on eating disorders in general than of adolescents. The hybrid format, rather than just in-person or just virtual, may not have been the best format for this subject. The several in-person attendees, and the several online attendees, were all white and not diverse. Jill received 3 emails saying that this was a topic that they were not comfortable with discussing in public.

Dr. Accurso had too much detail with too many slides, so the event went overtime with no time for Q&A.

It was discussed and agreed that the calendar of events should be scheduled a year in advance to allow better for panelist engagement, planning, and publicity.

6. Planning the Next Community Health Seminars

Ms. Rienks shared slides of the Marin Community Health Needs Assessment and discussion resulted on heeding what the needs and desires of the community are evident. Data showed population graph by race and ethnicity, and age distribution.

Topics for future seminars were suggested and discussed, including the health needs of the aging population, breast health, hormone replacement, prostate health.

Ms. Ramirez spoke of format, and the advantages of a workshop event for young people, actively listening to what their interests are, responding to their needs as they express them. She agreed to begin working on this.

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Skin cancer and breast cancer were agreed upon as urgent topics to present. It was agreed that the next seminar would be an in-person skin cancer event to be presented at the hospital in September. The following seminar would be on breast cancer.

Ms. Ramirez and Dr. Alfrey are planning a popup event in the Canal area with screenings for diabetes, hypertension, and healthy eating. Several doctors are eager to participate.

Ms. Rienks suggested considering presenting Dr. Kenneth Ring, researcher and writer on near-death experiences. She knows him and will contact him.

Doing popup events in underserved communities was further discussed, including working with and respecting those within their communities already directly involved in community health.

The next seminar will be on skin cancer in September. Ms. Kinney and her team will begin research, panelist inquiries, logistics and publicity planning, etc., and she will report back at the next meeting.

7. Report: District Rebranding RFP

Ms. Kinney reported that the RFP has been sent to 62 entities (individuals and small agencies) in Marin, and to school and college art departments. The responses will be submitted directly to Ms. Rienks.

8. Follow-up: Community Health Fair

Ms. Ramirez asked for a list of scheduled county-wide events, farmer's markets etc., and Ms. Kinney agreed to provide the list.

9. Adjournment

Chair Rienks adjourned the meeting at 5:02 pm.