

Town Hall Meeting 1.11.2020

Members Present: Fardowsa Ali, John Wilson, Karen Pugh, Damon Johnson, Jackie Correa-Alley, Julie Pleski, Jason Valentine

Members Absent: Emily Smith-Lundberg

Meeting Opened at 1:13

Reviewed Ground Rules

Officers Report

President

- CD Program needs our help
- Change.Org Petition
- Community letters, Agency letters send to CEO
- Member at Large Vacancy

Vice President Report via Jackie

- Bylaws Drafts Approved
- Working on committee's task

Secretary

- No Report

Treasurer

- Karen Pugh and Jackie Correa-Alley went to bank on 1/7/2020 to include their names for access to MADC bank account and removed John Fetcher, kept Emory Dively on account temporarily until the end of the fiscal year, then will have his name removed from the account

MADC Fund Balance

C3: \$93,178.29

C4: \$12,305.24

Total: \$105,483.53

Board will set up a finance committee and an audit of last 10 years by the finance committee

- MADC will contract with a CPA if the audit uncovers issues beyond the abilities of the finance committee

Finance Committee:

Damon, Karen, Jason, Julie

We need 2 more community members to join the committee

Member at Large Discussion

- 3 applicants do not have 1 year standing, ask community to vote to waive the bylaw requirement for this
- If community waives bylaw requirement then we will announce our pick
- If community does not waive, then we will again ask community for volunteers to be MAL who have at least 1 year of membership

Motion for community vote to waive bylaws for 1 year membership requirement for MAL for this appointment only

Seconded

Discussion

Motion to close discussion, Seconded

Discussion Closed

Passed

Announced new MAL is Kelsey Dahl

MADC needs community members to sit on boards and priority committees

MADC Suggested Priorities:

Interpreter Licensure

Mental Health

-Chemical Dependency Program

D/HH Tiered Teacher Licensure

ASL Teacher Licensure

Deaf Senior Citizens (DSC) would like MADC to partner with them

- Deaf retirement day program
- Programs are not ADA accessible for DSC
- What is lacking in the community that create barriers for DSC
- Finding a space where DSC feel safe to meet

Youth Membership

Website, Communication and Marketing Committee

- MADC needs to improve the website
- MADC needs to communicate more with the community

Deaf Culture Salon

Financial reports

- Community asks if MADC on file with IRS?
- Is MADC keeping track of assets, federal taxes, etc?
- Treasurer will share report at next business meeting

Announcement Mike Cashman Council on Disabilities meeting is on Monday - very important meeting to go to for MADC

Kelsey Dahl sworn in as an official MADC Member at Large with MADC president presenting the oath.

Deaf Awareness Day will be April 18th, White Bear Lake HS South Campus

Census

- Jer Loudenback is part of the MNCDHH Census team, can contact him for information

Town Hall adjourned at 2:35p