

GLBT In Recovery Executive Committee Meeting

Occurred on: Wednesday, June 20, 2007 – 7:30 PM

Occurred at: Park Ave House, 3112 Park Ave

Present: Marc G, Zeke D, Dan K, Eric A

Meeting minutes:

Eric proposed that for the last election meeting (two years from now) to elect the new members, that all existing members stick around to help orient new members and transition leadership. Outgoing committee members should be at the first meeting of the new committee as well.

Eric proposed that at least one person from the executive committee be present at all events to receive the money.

Above two items will be kept in the notes until we decide if we should amend the bylaws, or otherwise conclude.

Marc has proposed that all meeting minutes be published on the website. Dan will email notes to Bob W to be posted on glbtinrecovery.com.

Glade's absence was noted. Committee learned that he hadn't maintained the minimum requirements for committee membership. Committee called Glade to discuss. Glade voluntarily stepped down from the board.

Issue of \$500 missing from the Spring Fling. Glade reports that Jim Stoltz at Pride Institute is in possession of the money. Eric called and left a voicemail with Jim Stolz.

Marc will review the bylaws and report next steps to elect a new committee member at the next meeting.

Marc brought up topic of what are our goals for the year. Besides Minnesober, what are the goals?

What period of time are we discussing? Group decided to plan for remainder of calendar 2006. Events occurring between now and end of 2006 include:

- Minnesober
- New Years Eve Dance
- Halloween
- Twin Cities Pride

Goal – Have a larger presence at Pride

Goal – Attain non-profit status

Goal – Investigate if we're operating legally (filing taxes?)

Goal – Remain intact (as a group)

Goal – Avoid micromanaging

Marc mentioned J.D. (secretary of Minnesober committee) will add us to their meeting minutes email distribution list.

Question came up - Do we pay taxes? Marc said we don't, but we do have a tax ID number. He said that last year the committee explored becoming a 501(c)3, but the effort involved proved to be too inhibitive. Marc said that he would take it upon himself to re-investigate this possibility. Zeke pointed out that gaining sponsorships would be much easier as a non-profit.

Dan will call his accountant to see if there are legal ramifications to the group's status of not currently paying taxes. Dan will also inquire about non-profit status and the effort involved to attain it.

Marc noted that Bob W is making flyers for pride and having his sponsees pass them out at during the festivities. This matter is considered approved and the committee will reimburse Bob for copying costs, estimated at roughly \$100.

Issue brought to the committee's attention by Brad C - GLBT in recovery needs storage space. Park Ave House has agreed to donate space in its garage. The garage is secured by deadbolt and can be accessed by contacting Dan or the house manager, Zeke. GLBT in Recovery would pay for lumber to construct shelves after Minnesober. Dan will front money to build shelves ahead of time. Brad, Zeke's brother, will donate the labor required to build the shelves. Park Ave House will assume ownership of shelving (not contents). Committee has approved unanimously. Next step is to get things moved from Brad C's residence. Zeke will contact Brad C to make arrangements.

Treasurer's report. Bank statements from last year are available on website. Running balance in checkbook has not been kept. Current balance is \$3,557.10.

Marc to contact Bob W about getting new board members' email addresses on the website.

Eric asked about moving the PO Box to a more convenient location from its current location in the Baker Center downtown. Group approved unanimously to move it to the 55403 post office location behind Laurel Village. Eric will contact the bank about change of address, as it's the only mail we receive at the PO Box.

Next meeting is scheduled for July 18th at 7:30 PM. Meeting place will again be at Park Ave House.

Meeting adjourned at roughly 9:00 PM.