



**REGIONAL ACCESS PROJECT FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS
BOARD MEETING**

APPROVED MINUTES

February 23, 2022 9:00 AM

I. CALL TO ORDER at 9:00 by Chair J. Pye - Roll Call: M. Blue, C. Borba, C. Galvez, M. Gialdini, M. Gonda, B. Gonzalez, R. Gutierrez, J. Hayes, M. Moran, R. St.Johns, A. Wilson, K. Quintanilla, P. Cooper, J. Pye. E. Romero joined at 9:04 and R. Gutierrez joined at 9:20, R. Ortega joined at 9:38.

Also present: Jessica Munoz (Voices for Children), S. Minor, N. Duffy, M Reyes, G. Montano, S. Garcia and L. De Lara.

Absent: B. Kroonen, A. Martinez, V. Tanner.

II. Approval of the AGENDA

In order to meet Brown Act requirements. Items may be added to the agenda only upon decision by a majority of the Board of Directors to add the item because of a need for immediate action.

Motion:	Second:	Approve:	Denial:	Abstention Names:
<i>C. Borba to approve the agenda as is.</i>	<i>M. Gialdini</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>

III. PUBLIC COMMENT / PRESENTATIONS

Voices for Children – Executive Director Jessica Munoz to make a presentation.

Presentation delivered and Ms. Munoz addressed questions from board members.

IV. CONSENT ITEMS: Action Required

- A. Draft Minutes of Board Meeting on January 26, 2022 (Attach. #1)
- B. NPO Centric DIRECTOR REPORT (Attach. #2) – Receive and file.
- C. CEO’s REPORT (Attach. #3) – Receive and file.
- D. GRANT DIRECTOR’S REPORT (Attach #4) – Receive and file.
- E. RESOLUTION 2022.07 (Attach. #5)

In order to continue to have the flexibility to hold remote public meetings, AB 361 requires the public agency’s Board of Directors to pass a resolution re-ratifying the state of emergency and reauthorizing remote teleconference meetings on a monthly basis.

Staff Recommendation: To receive and file the January 26, 2022 BOD Minutes, NPO Centric Report, CEO Report, Finance Report, Grants Director Report and Resolution 2022.07.

Motion:	Second:	# Approve:	#Denial:	Abstention Names:
<i>C. Borba to approve all except Attach. #3</i>	<i>M. Gialdini</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>

M. Moran to approve #3. Second: A. Wilson Yes – 13 No- 0 Abstention: 0

V. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS – Action Required

A. FINANCE DIRECTOR REPORT - Receive and file.

Statement of Activity for period July 2021- January 31, 2022 (Attach. #6a) and Statement of Financial Position Comparison as of January 31, 2022. (Attach. #6b) The Board Treasurer will briefly review statements and address questions.

Finance Committee Recommendation: To receive and file the Financial Statements for period ending January 31, 2022.

Motion:	Second:	# Approve:	#Denial:	Abstention Names:
<i>C. Borba to approve the Finance Committee’s Recommendation.</i>	<i>A. Wilson</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>

R. Gutierrez and R. Ortega did not participate in discussion or vote.

- B. Riverside County Public Health has notified RAP of an opportunity to continue the Tobacco Retail and Coalition Engagement for Two Years - \$20,000 annually (Attach.# 7 and #8). This would require RAP hiring a person to perform the duties. However, the funding will only allow for a limited number of hours. Therefore, the County has identified another funding opportunity, the Nutrition and Health Promotion grant for \$110,000 annually to possibly be extended for multi-years. If approved, the CEO would proceed with working with the County to formulate the Agreements. The target date to start this partnership would be April or May.

Executive Committee Recommendation: For the Board to move forward in pursuing the two grant opportunities and partnering with the County to encourage healthy living to residents in the Fourth Supervisorial District.

Motion:	Second:	# Approve:	#Denial:	Abstention Names:
<i>M. Moran to approve the Executive Committee Recommendation. With one change to include 4th Supervisor District.</i>	<i>M. Gialdini</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>

R. Ortega did not participate in discussion or vote.

- C. Desert View Power (DVP) is owned by Greenleaf Energy. DVP is located in Mecca. It is a “woody biomass” electrical generation facility – meaning all of the fuel comes from wood that is a “waste” in various urban and agricultural processes. They are in the process of extending their 10 year agreement for an additional 5 years. Imperial Irrigation District is the agency which issues the permit and will consider their permit in early March. DVP has requested a Letter of Support.

Executive Committee Recommendation: To direct the CEO to prepare a Letter of Support and include RAP’s purpose, the Board’s interest in environmental and health issues and by having access to this service likely reduces illegal dumping.

Due to need to provide the letter by Feb. 18 to be included in the IID Board packet, the CEO sent the attached Letter of Support, incorporating the Executive Committee's comments. (Attach. #8a and 8b)

Motion:	Second:	# Approve:	#Denial:	Abstention Names:
<i>C. Borboa to approve the Executive Committee's Recommendation.</i>	<i>M. Moran</i>	<i>15 -</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>

R. Ortega did not participate in discussion or vote.

D. Funding Requests -Action Required

Review YTD Grants Tracker (Attach. #9)

SPONSORSHIP GRANT FUNDING REQUESTS:

1.

Organization:	PALMS TO PINES PARASPORTS
Program:	Collegiate/Community Adaptive Sports Day
Requested Amount:	\$2500
Representative:	Michael Rosenkrantz
Reviewer's Scores:	n/a
Prior RAP Funding:	Last Year's Mental Health Initiative \$10,000
<p>(Event dependent on COVID Guidelines)</p> <p>Collaborating with College of the Desert (Courtney Doussett), CSUSB-PD (Sarah Dunn), Desert Recreation District Adaptive (Kendra Smith) and numerous other local organizations are holding the first COD Collegiate/Community Adaptive Sports Day on March 12. The event offers people with disabilities and their friends and family members the opportunity to experience wheelchair basketball, wheelchair tennis, boccia, pickleball, baseball, golf, soccer, volleyball and potentially other sports. Equipment and expert coaching will be offered to engage and recruit people with disabilities to participate in consistent adaptive sport offerings. A number of organizations will also be vendors, providing information about their services at this event.</p> <p>The goal is to create awareness about opportunities being offered in the CV, mainly in Palm Desert and Indio to participate in adaptive sports. Hikes which take place throughout the area. The purpose is to get people moving.</p>	

Grants Committee Recommendation: To approve the Sponsorship Request of \$2500.

Motion:	Second:	Approve:	Denial:	Abstention Names:	NPO Membership? Y/N
<i>J. Hayes to approve the Grants Committee Recommendation.</i>	<i>M. Gialdini</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>A. Wilson, B. Gonzalez, R. Gutierrez</i>	

2. Special Sponsorship Funding Request

Organization:	SENIOR INSPIRATION AWARDS
Program:	SIA Award Event
Requested Amount:	\$8,000
Representative:	Pat Cooper
Reviewer's Scores:	N/A
Prior RAP Funding:	Ongoing (as fiscal agent)
<p>The Senior Inspiration Awards is a beloved event in its 30th year. Every year, the County of Riverside and the Coachella Valley's nine cities honor senior citizens 65 years of age and older who inspire others through their volunteerism and active engagement in the community. This annual event honors these unsung heroes for their</p>	

ongoing contribution and dedication to our communities. The awards ceremony will be held at the Fantasy Springs Resort.

RAP's funds would go towards the grants to the nonprofits identified by the honorees \$500 x 11 = \$5500. In addition, RAP would provide Income In-Kind fiscal sponsor duties valued at \$2500.

The amount exceeds the maximum \$2500 per event. However, the Board previously approved the increased amount with the expectation that the annual event would acknowledge Jean Benson with the RAP contribution.

Grants Committee Recommendation: To approve the Special Grant Request of \$8,000.

Motion:	Second:	#Approve:	#Denial:	Abstention Names:	NPO Membership? Y/N
<i>J. Hayes to approve the Grants Committee Recommendation and to acknowledge the \$2500 IIK contribution.</i>	<i>M. Blue</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>P. Cooper</i>	<i>N</i>

R. Gutierrez did not participate in discussion or vote.

VI. NPO Centric (NPOC)

Stephanie Minor will provide a brief presentation of NPOC activities. - S, Minor gave update on activities, meetings, and membership. Announced Spring event/reception for April 6 from 4 PM – 7 PM to relaunch NPOC.

VII. Committee Assignments for Calendar Year 2022. (Attach. #10)

VIII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS- No Action

- a. BOARD ATTENDANCE for 2022 (Attach. #11)
- b. EXECUTIVE–Met February 14. January 19 Minutes (Attach. #12). Next meeting March 14.
- c. HEALTH-MENTAL HEALTH – Cancelled the Feb. and March meetings. Next meeting TBD.
- d. GRANTS –Met February 14. Jan. 20 Minutes attached (Attach. #13). Next meeting March 14.
- e. NPO Centric–Met February 16. Minutes for October 20, 2021 and Jan. 19, 2022 meetings (Attach. #14a and #14b). Next meeting March 16.
- f. FACILITIES- Met Dec. 8 & Dec. 13. Approved Minutes (Attach. #15a & #15b). Next meeting Feb. 23.
- g. GOVERNANCE – Met Feb. 15. Minutes for Jan. 18 meeting. (Attach. #16). Next meeting May 17.
- h. AUDIT – Next meeting in April to consider the Form 990.
- i. FINANCE & INVESTMENT –Met Feb. 14. Jan. 24 Minutes (Attach. # 17). Next meeting March 14.
- j. NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE– Next meeting TBD.

Corrected the NPOC Committee to remove M. Gialdini. Make changes in order of Chair and Vice-Chair, Deactivate the Ad Hoc Committee for Capital Campaign.

IX. BOARD MEMBER / STAFF COMMENTS

Please remember to submit Form 700s and Annual Conflict of Interest Forms.

Introduce RAP's newest team member Sandy Garcia.

Senior Inspiration Awards Luncheon will take place on March 31 at 11:00 at Fantasy Springs Casino. Please notify Mireya if you are interested in attending the event.

S. Garcia introduced herself to the Board.

J. Pye mentioned participating along with Supervisor Perez and PD Councilmember K. Quintanilla in the President's Day parade and enjoyed listening to the West Side School band.

X. ADJOURNMENT: 10:03 Next meeting is March 23, 2022 at 9:00 AM.