

2023 Annual Membership APPROVED Meeting Minutes 02_23_23

Present: Directors: President Brian Estes, VP Mieka Rhoades, Secretary Tom Scott, Treasurer Kim Brown, Chris Ohana,
Rosemary Webb, Jill Freeze, Staff: Kim S

Absent: Blaire Sebren
Membership: Elizabeth, Laurie, Mitchell

6:32p Call to Order Brian

Brian read the Mission. Kim B. read the Land Acknowledgment.

Brian provided the State of the Organization.

Kim S, Brylie and Amy as well as all the other volunteers.

Fundraising went well.

Participating with Moone Consulting as organized by NAMI

Give the Gift of Mental Health campaign was successful.

Brylie and Cooper raised our social presences this year.

DEI efforts expanded linguistically and otherwise.

The Board expanded on a number of organizational improvements.

One goal was to create a Dual Diagnosis Group which is underway.

Ongoing efforts to create and improve organization and Board evaluation and improvement program.

One Word, One Story campaign rolled out.

Lobby Day participation continued and went well.

Anna, Brylie and Kim B. represented NAMI Whatcom.

Community Advocacy.

Rosemary provided the Financial State of the Organization.

Good, actually 14K more than the previous year.

Grants provided over 48K.

More detail in written report.

Kim S. presented an overview of Programs

Acknowledged Mitchell, Elizabeth and Laurie volunteer efforts.

Served 3457 individuals.

Spoke at the Negotiators' Conference which was attended by 350 Law Enforcement Officers.

Started a more formal data collection.

100% of program attendees stated they would like to attend in the future.

Laurie received the Wa Volunteer of the Year Award!

More detail in written report.

Board Election Results Announcement & Bylaws Amendments Votes: Kim

Nominee	Term
Brian Estes	Second: 2-year term
Tom Scott	Second: 2-year term

Rosemary Webb	Second:	2-year term
Jill Freeze	First:	2-year term

Passed, 23 yes to 1 no

Changes to the Bylaws

(1) Amend the Bylaws reducing the notice for Board Elections at the Annual General Membership Meeting from 60 days to 30 days.
Passed, 23 yes to 1 abstain

Changes to the Bylaws

(2) Board of Directors: Composition and Number

Amend the Bylaws setting the maximum size of the Board of Directors at eleven (11).

Note on above mark-up. The existing Bylaws (2021) include a “typo” whereby the written maximum of “nine” was conflicted by the numeric version of “(11)”. Thus, the latter is NOT being updated. The amendment will correct this error.

Passed, 24 yes to 0, unanimous

Quorum requirements were met for all above votes.

Brian reintroduced Jill Freeze, our newest Board Member and continuing Member and Volunteer. Jill spoke briefly.

Brian took general comments from those present and fostered any questions.

Kim S. Thanked Amy A. who volunteered and worked with NAMI Whatcom for 3-4 years, returning full time to school. We will miss her.

Adjourned 1905 Jill, Tom, Unanimous.

7:05p ***ADJOURNMENT TO BOD ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS***

Next Board Meeting March 13, 2023 5:30p

Submitted Tom Scott 3/7/23

