

# Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes

## NAMI Whatcom

November 4, 2021

Virtual (Zoom)

Approved by Motion 2021-12-09.1a

### Present

**Board:** Rosemary Webb (President), Bruce Smith (Treasurer), Tom Scott (Secretary), Gracie Lamb, Chris Ohana, Mieka Rhoades, Russ Sapienza (emeritus) and Brian Estes (VP).

**Staff:** Kim Sauter (Executive Director).

**Volunteers:** None.

**Guests:** None.

### Called to Order by Rosemary 11:02pm.

**Consent Agenda: Motion 2021-11-09.1** Accept the consent agenda as presented and amended.

**Moved by Rosemary, Gracie. Passed unanimously.**

- **2021-11-09.1a** Approve 2021-10-09 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes as presented.
- **2021-11-09.1b** Accept Treasurer's Report for November as presented.
- **2021-11-09.1c** Accept Director's Report as presented.

### Budget 2022

First Budget to be presented at January BoD Meeting.

\$18K from Whatcom Health - Contract for work

\$14,900 Video messaging grant

\$2,500 for Compartiendo Esperanza grant.

### Stigma Stomp

Success, good!

139 Registered on line. 119 attended on event day.

Most money ever. Each year better than previous.

### Board Nominations

Brian, Rosemary moved by unanimous consent to seat the Board as the Nominating Committee  
Nominating Committee

The committee proposed to nominate Brian and Rosemary to stand for re-election, Mieka and Chris to stand for election.

**Moved Gracie, Bruce. Passed unanimously.**

**Moved to Present to Board, Tom, Brian. Passed unanimously.**

## Date of Annual Meeting

After discussion, **Motion 2021-11-14.2** Tom, Rosemary by unanimous consent. January 27th @7pm by Zoom. **Passed unanimously.**

Proposed Agenda

- State of the Organization - President
- Board Elections - 3 Proctors
- Presentation - Tom
- Comments from the Membership
- Adjourn

**Motion 2021-11-14.3 Mieka, Gracie** To forward the proposed Agenda. **Passed unanimously.**

## Police Behavioral Health Response - Gracie

No BH officer or team in 2022. Ofc. Serad willing to take inquiries.

Continuing to connect with BPD at least tenuously.

Brian mentioned that Chris and Brian were co-representatives on policy.

Brian mentioned Legislators and Chiefs & Sheriffs.

Consensus Approach someone from BFD and City regarding responses presentation. (Kim, Chris & Brian).

## Public Policy - Brian

Thank you Chris, for being a co-representative.

Brian will be traveling first three months of 2022 and will take a lesser role during that time.

## Volunteer Appreciation - Kim

After discussion, the consensus was, due to Covid, continue with the Gift card only option.

Working on it are Kim & Gracie.

## Amend Annual Meeting Agenda - Tom

Tom brought up that the Bylaws call for a State of the Organization report by the President.

**Motion 2021-11-14.4 Tom, Bruce** By unanimous consent to add the item to the Annual Meeting Agenda. **Passed unanimously.**

**Next meeting** Board Meeting, December 9 @ 12am, at/via Zoom to be chaired by Rosemary.

**Adjourned 11:52pm**

## Action Items (outstanding from previous meetings)

- Board members – Provide regular, preferably monthly financial contributions. – Ongoing.
- Kim – Poll Board members for fundraising networking leads. – Ongoing.
- All – Recruit Peer and Peer Ally Board Member Candidates. – Ongoing.
- Brian – NAMI Whatcom inquiry to Washington regarding how Op Ed was formulated.
- Board – Adjust Board terms to “balance” them for elections. – After Annual Elections.

## Action Items (from this meeting)

- Rosemary, Brian, Mieka & Chris – Bios (original/updated) as required for Annual Board of Directors’ Election.
- Tom & Kim – Create/issue announcement for Annual General Membership Meeting, including agenda and director nominations (with bios) – During week or two after December Board Meeting.

## Parked/Tabled Items

- Brian to keep Board up to date on activities of Public Policies Committee particularly on the “Behavioral Framework” document.
- Under Policies (Subcommittee) review and determine “Standing” and “Ad hoc” committees as Policies and NOT as part of the Bylaws (which do not currently specify).
- At Annual Board Meeting after Officers Election, formally note the appointed officers such as X Liaisons so that Board and other members may know to whom to refer when needed.

## Supporting/Related Resources

- None.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas R. Scott, Secretary