



Common Threads Board Meeting

August 2, 2021

Virtual Meeting

4:00 pm to 5:30 pm

Present:

- Gail Knops
- Chris Casquilho
- Nolan Davidson
- Fred Berman
- Madchen Petrie
- Susan Marshall
- Laura Plaut

Absent:

- Casi Herrera

Guests:

- None

Agenda Item	Board Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting called to order at 4:00 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Susan’s two-year term is up and she will be stepping away from the Board. This is her final meeting. The Board Members thanked her for her many contributions. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consent Agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Minutes 21 6 7 Meeting ○ ED report - 21 July ○ Infrastructure Committee notes 21 07 22 ○ Finance Committee 21 07 22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Note updates to Gift Acceptance Policy and Conflict of Interest Policy ○ Fundraising committee did not meet • Fred moved to approve and adopt the consent agenda; Madchen seconded. All in favor, none opposed. 	<p>Consent Agenda approved and adopted by the Board</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consent Agenda Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Laura is looking into getting a food truck ○ Don’t forget about the Uprooting Racism training on October 20 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Party Planning – August 12 and September 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Gail has taken the lead on planning for the August 2 party. 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Still need beer (if we want beer) – waiting to hear back from Aslan and Wander. Boundary Bay was a no, same for Kulshan (too short of notice). ▪ There will need to be some food prep. Pippin will welcome people as early as 3:00 to set up. ▪ Gail and Laura will coordinate on a master list of everything that needs to be done. ○ September 2 is still in planning stages <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Does somebody want to volunteer to take the lead? ▪ Some of what’s being done for the August party can be duplicated and re-used... 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Board Meeting Schedule <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Need to reschedule the standard meeting time or Casi won’t be able to attend. ○ Laura will be gone from September 8 – 27 ○ Madchen will be in Bellingham Labor Day through 13th ○ Unfortunately the 7th is already booked for a virtual benefit through Village Books. ○ Doodle poll forthcoming to determine a date for September and a standing date after that... ○ Proposed monthly schedule in 2020: meet only in even months. Committees would still meet monthly or as needed. ○ Bylaws would need to be amended if we’re going to meet less frequently than monthly. Vote might need to be by email. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Financial Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Madchen (and Fred) offered an update on finances. ○ Investment gain as of July 31 = \$16K. Less than \$10K remains to be invested. ○ Big picture: we’re in a good spot. Individual donations could certainly be better but it’s not necessarily a bad thing to be an organization that relies on grants rather than individual donations. ○ Laura suggested that it may be more accurate to think of it as “funraising” and focusing on joyful advocacy of the organization rather than soliciting financial donations. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Meeting adjourned at 5:13 	