



January Board Meeting Minutes

January 2, 2024
2 p.m. / Zoom

Present: Kristi Farver Oaks; Traci Weller; Sara Hofer; Tagen Vine; Allison Strekal; Lauren Rennaker

Absent: Andrea Lambert; Tara Castelucci

- I. **Call to Order** - The Board meeting was called to order at 2:03 p.m.
- II. **Review of December Meeting Minutes** – Motion to approve: Tagen Vine and Allison Strekal. Motion to approve passes.
- III. **Financial Report** –Tagen Vine shared that the 2023 Summit expenses came in a little higher than anticipated, but that thanks to the additional \$5,000 commitment from First Interstate Bank, the chapter’s financials are in good shape.
- IV. **AFP Global Leadership Institute Report (November 6-10 – Arlington VA)**

Allison Strekal shared that she attended the AFP Leadership Institute last November in Arlington Virginia at AFP Global Headquarters. AFP Global, in partnership with the AFP Foundation for Philanthropy created this new week-long, in person leadership development program to address the difficulty nonprofits are having in finding qualified individuals to fill key leadership roles as baby boomers retire. Strekal was part of the program’s 2nd cohort and was one of 22 individuals. This deeply reflective, action-oriented program teaches both the theory, as well as practical applications, of key leadership concepts, with a focus specifically on applying these leadership skills to the fundraising profession. Strekal shared that perhaps the most valuable benefit of the program was the deep connections made within participants. She also earned 25 credits towards her CFRE certification. The next Leadership Institute will take place Sunday May 5-May 10 in Sunnyvale, CA (outside of San Jose, CA).
- V. **Committee Reports**
 - a. Summit – Sara Hofer
 - i. The first committee meeting scheduled to occur on January 23, 2024.
 - ii. Immediate priority is to identify a location in Missoula to hold Summit.
 - b. Sponsorship
 - i. Tagen Vine shared that he will be developing an updated Google Worksheet to outline sponsorships for 2024.
 - c. Communications
 - i. No update other than Laura Brin has taken over as the Communications staff person.
 - d. Membership
 - i. No membership reports available due to transition in leadership and AFP Accord – Weller will send reports as soon as available.
 - ii. Total AFP MT Members (as of 1/2/24): 66

e. Professional Development –

- i. February Lunch and Learn – Kristi Farver Oaks shared that Washington Companies and Murdoch both had conflicts for February dates, so Kristi is reevaluating moving February date to another date.
- ii. April Lunch and Learn will feature a DAF Focus - Lauren Rennaker has invited a financial advisor who will join the panel to share their perspective on DAF's, as well as possibly the MT Community Foundation.
- iii. June Lunch and Learn will focus on events and additional details are still forthcoming.

VI. **Board Retreat**

Friday, January 26th
10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Cambium Place
945 Wyoming Str
Missoula, MT

Zoom options will be available for two members unable to attend retreat (Tagen Vine and Andrea Lambert). Tagen and Andrea have been asked to complete the “Committee worksheet” prior to Retreat.

Preliminary Agenda:

- a. AFP MT Chapter – Mission & Goals (Zoom option available)
 - i. Current Missions Statement Review
 - ii. Assessment of Current Committees
- b. Committees
 - i. Description (1-2 sentences)
 - ii. Goals & Objectives
 - iii. Revenue & Expenses
 - iv. Reports & Feedback – (Zoom option available)
- c. Resource Repository

VII. **Ongoing Board/Committee Recruitment**

- a. Ongoing Board and Committee Recruitment will be added to the AFP MT Retreat Agenda for continued discussion.

VIII. **Adjourn**

- a. The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Next Board Meeting

February 6, 2023, at 2 p.m. via ZOOM