Board Meeting Agenda, January 29, 2020

Call to Order

Check-In and Announcements

• Around the room for introductions and any announcements

Reports from Officers

President

• This is the annual TPI meeting for 2020
• finished updating prison data and data explorer: https://tpride/prisondata
• December 4, filed suit against Texas for Project 103
• Dani did a presentation on justice issues at UTD (volunteers?)
• Nell did a classroom presentation at TCU (1 volunteer so far)
• Have been looking for a better office with Dani’s help; almost had a nice space on Sunset
• Have not put in any work on board development
• Any questions about president activities since last meeting?

Secretary

• Any questions for the Secretary about activities since last meeting?
• Action: Questions, comments, and approval of minutes from September 18, 2019, meeting

Treasurer

• 2019 reports provided
  ○ Income and Expenses report
  ○ Budget versus Actual report
  ○ December reconciliation summary and detail also provided
• Any questions for the Treasurer about activities since the last meeting?

Committee Reports

Fundraising Team

• 2020 grant of $15k Borealis FTG received
• 2020 grant $10k from Trans Justice Funding Project awarded, to be received about June
• Prior question about unsolicited Jacques Louis Vidal/Vanguard Charitable grant of $1,000
  ○ artist with interest in social justice supporting progressive causes
• Any questions about the Fundraising Team work?

Action Team: Anti-violence Committee

• Project 1—documenting violence: no interest by volunteers at this time
• Project 2—document update assistance:
one award since September, two in 2019
considering simplifying to increase participation and make it easier to manage
• Project 3—street outreach
distributed about 2600 condoms, 900 lubes, 210 sterile wipes, 620 cottons, 24 cookers, 165 IV syringes, 114 IV syringe exchanges
slow because no steady locations yet
• Project 4—Dallas Trans Justice Project
no progress due to no time to put into it
• Any questions about the anti-violence committee work?

Action Team: Healthcare Committee
• Project 1—health forum series: inactive
• Project 2—an annual health fair: inactive
• Project 3—understanding anti-trans stigma impacts to healthcare access
al most interviews done
most healthcare provider interviews done
we decided to give a $20 incentive card to promote interviews and it helped
• Any questions about the healthcare committee work?

Action Team: Housing Committee
• Project 1—Dallas Trans Shared Housing: inactive due to abuses from providers
• Project (unassigned)—Emergency Shelter Project
proposal in progress
specific provider being converted to general
• Any questions about the housing committee work?

Action Team: Prison Support
• No project number
About to release the prison data explorer tool: https://tpride.org/prisondata/
Letter writing for 2019 almost reached 4,000 received and sent
• Project 1—national strike support, 2018, completed
• Project 2—Project 103:
suit filed December 4, 2019, Cause No. 1:19-cv-1182 in U.S. District Court, Western District
press was widespread and not bad, even made AP and the NYT
The Marshall Project and Vox are doing a story about the three name change barrier suits
UT Austin School of Law Human Rights Clinic is writing a support memo; draft is great
we plan to do media event combining release of the HRC memo with presenting summons to Paxton and Abbott in person
• Project 3—PREA report: done; has been added to National PREA Resource Center Library
• Project 4—post release volunteer stipend
2019 stipends to Dani (January to March) and Mindy (November through December and ongoing)
• Any questions about the prison committee work?
Other teams and committees

- No reports; any questions?

Unfinished Business

- Last meeting we discussed a health insurance stipend starting in 2020 for part-time staff of $50-$75/month. We began providing the one part-time employee a monthly stipend of $65 starting January 2020.
- Board member elections: held annually, must have three minimum
  - **Action:** Election of existing board members if no new member present
- Officer elections: held every other year, and they were held last year, with Max being elected in July 2018 for secretary.
  - Current positions are President: Nell Gaither; Vice-President: vacant; Secretary: Max Lucky; Treasurer: Simone Stevens
  - Bylaws state: “Each officer will hold office until a successor is duly selected and qualifies. An officer may be elected to the same office multiple times in succession.”
  - If we do not have any persons wishing to fill the officer positions, we will need to re-elect the same persons to their positions once again.
- **Routine action item:** Request that the Directors raise any questions about decisions discussed during this meeting that have been taken since the last Board meeting, and if all questions are addressed adequately request that the Directors approve of all actions taken by the President in the conduct of the corporation’s business since the last meeting of the Board.

New Business

- TPI is looking to find a new location, and we are considering buying. Options include conventional lease as we have done, Nell buying and leasing to TPI at a discount with TPI covering utilities but Nell covering maintenance and repair, TPI buying. I would like to hear comments and concerns on these approaches, suggestions about what the board thinks.
- Any new business that any board member wishes to bring up for consideration?

Open End

- Any other open end discussion?

Adjourn Board meeting