

New York Chariots of Fire Inc.
Board Minutes-Draft
February 2, 2015

1. Roll Call: Cathy Drobny, James Thomson, Mark Flora-Swick, Kathy Brinker, Charles Brown.

2. The group present officially recognized the 6 board members that resigned from Chariots of Fire. (Tony Nussbacher, Ron Tavis, Gary Ranfle, Robert Mealey, Chris Giovan, John Giovan and Brian Cruise (passed away)). Kathy B suggests that we send a thank you note to each former board member thanking them for their service and their willingness to transition the organization.

Action: Jim will send e-mails to Kathy B.

Action: Kathy B will compose thank you note.

The 5 new members are welcomed onto the board. (see Roll Call)

3. Discussion and elections of officer's began.

Charles Brown Nominated the following slate:

President- Jim Thomson

Vice President-Kathy Brinker

Treasurer-Mark Flora-Swick

Secretary-Cathy Drobny

At Large member- Charles Brown

Cathy seconded this nomination slate. Discussion. Call for the vote: unanimous .

4. Vote to change the name of the corporation.

Kathy Brinker voted to change the name to USA Boccia, Inc. AKA known as USA Boccia.

James seconded. Discussion. Call for the vote: unanimous

Action: James will fill out the paperwork and send it to NY State Dept. There will be a cost of \$30.

Action: James will send a bank statement tomorrow to board members.

Question about checks

Action: When name change comes back, Jim will go to bank and get new checks and get signatures changed. Jim expects it will take 4-6 weeks.

5. Discussion on proposed bylaws and possible vote to adopt.

Since Jeff sent suggested by-laws today, James suggested we table the acceptance.

Action item: Board members will review and make a comment by 'reply all' by Feb. 9th.

Action item: Jim will ask Jeff to send by-laws to Linda Mastandrea for review.

Jim will ask Jeff to ask Linda M to keep info about the new organization in confidence.

Action item for Jeff : to send corrected by-laws to Linda and to find out when can Linda respond back to us.

6. Grants

Christopher Reeves -Mary Ann Keating is writing the grant. It is due mid February. The purpose is to supplement nationals. The grant is awarded in June. This grant can't fund individuals, but could fund event. We thought that we would explain how boccia benefits persons with quadriplegia, how nationals is the ultimate workshop and that we would assign mentors to new athletes and coaches. If there was extra money, we would purchase additional courts, referees, coaching mentors. Asking for \$7500

Cathy moved that we apply to Christopher Reeves thru Chariots of Fire. 2nd by Jim Thomson Discussion. Call for the vote: unanimous

Kathy Brinker has been looking at Neilson Quality of Life for individuals for SCI - letter of intent, 2 page due by Feb. 17th.

Brainstorm: Id groups;

Parallel Veterans grant Workshops preliminary comp locally

Also responding for the need for interscholastic opportunities sports for all

Interscholastic Conference

State Athletic Associations

New Federal Law

\$45000 budget

Kathy moves to go for Neilson Grant with a 2 page letter of intent. Cathy seconded.

Discussion. Call for the vote: unanimous

Action: Kathy B will get a proposal to this group by February 9th for review.

Action: Board will respond immediately so that she can file the document of intent by Feb.17

7. Other business

Mark had not heard from the USOC contact. He will reach out again.

Kathy B meeting adjourned Charles seconded.

Submitted by Cathy Drobny