ORNCC Board of Directors Meeting 10/3/09 Eugene, OR

Present: Gary Baran, Steve Blechman, Lisa-Marie Divinci, Carol Placer, Chuck Powers,

The meeting began with a check in at 10:25 am

- 1. Minutes of board meeting of August 8, 2009 were approved
- 2. Chuck agreed to follow up with our attorney re. the agreement we asked him to create and report back to the board.
- 3. Gary was elected board Secretary, replacing Megan through the end of the year.
- 4. Carol was elected Vice President, replacing Selene through the end of the year, and will respond to emails and voice messages to the board. Chuck agreed to make changes on the website and email by October 9, reflecting these two changes, and Carol will contact Selene by October 16 to ensure fulfilling the responsibilities of the office.
- 5. Follow up items from minutes of August 8, 2009: Carol agreed to follow up re. the credit cards by Nov 1.
- 6. Website project: Chuck reported on progress on this and said we are now ready to create and post content. About Us section—old content is currently posted. We had an extensive discussion about the proposed website heading "ORNCC Services" and agreed to eliminate this heading and to include the relevant services under other headings. Chuck asked for volunteers (in parentheses in what follows) to write drafts for the following pages Mission (Gary), History (Lisa-Marie), Our Role (Carol), Financial Donations (Steve), Board Meetings (Lisa-Marie). We agreed to send our respective drafts to Chuck by November 1. Chuck will post these so we can review and revise the drafts.
- 7. Project sponsorship report—Chuck and Gary reported on the meeting they had with the board attorney. (Agenda item for future meeting: how we could respond to negative feedback about training done by those who post their training on the ORNCC website.) We also discussed the sponsorship of the prison training Fred Sly and Steve Blechman would like to offer. When we get back the draft sponsorship agreement from attorney (see 2 item above), Steve will meet with Fred with the intention to merge this with Fred's proposal by the next board meeting, and invite Fred to that meeting, to see if we can finalize this agreement.
- 8. The next board meeting will be held on Sunday, December 6, 2009 in Portland at Carol's. We agreed to meet also on Sunday, January 24, 2010 (probably in Eugene).
- 9. We had a discussion about Board recruitment and effectiveness. We agreed to invite people in the network to explore joining the board. (Steve will draft an email to this effect and send the draft to other board members for review by Nov 1.) We agreed to meet more frequently in

2010 to deepen our connections; we will try to recruit local community members to come to board meetings and/or social gatherings next year. Lisa-Marie will ask all former board members and current and former Governing Council members to help us find new board members and to attend our December 6th meeting. All board members agree to personally take steps to recruit new board members and to invite such potential members to the December meeting; to ask those who express an interest in being on the board to write a statement about their NVC background, what they imagine they would gain from being on the board, what they would like to contribute, and their availability and intention to attend all board meetings; and to send this statement to Holley Humphrey, with a copy to the ORNCC Secretary who will compile the names and share these with the other board members. Chuck agreed to review the bylaws to see what they have to say about the official relationship between the Board and Governing Council and to report on this at the December meeting. Lisa-Marie will contact Bryn Hazel to get her help in finding a potential board member from the bend community.

- 10. Carol agreed to purchase cards to acknowledge previous board and Governing Council members, and to bring those to our next meeting.
- 11. We engaged in a council type session to clear the air about past conflict within the board.
- 12. Check out; the meeting adjourned at 4 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Gary Baran, Secretary