## ORNCC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 7, 2012, PORTLAND

Present: Gary Baran, Steve Blechman, Sally Marie, Judy Rintoul, Chris Riehle

Absent: Gray Moen

Guest: Louis Velarde

1. The meeting began at 10:21 am with a reading by Steve, followed by a check in.

## 2. Action Items from Previous Meetings

- 1. Steve agreed to check with Craig to see if all of the trainings being offered by various trainers are getting posted on the ORNCC website and to invite him to the October Board meeting. (DONE; Craig indicated he posted all of the trainings he was asked to post but that he was unable to attend the October meeting.)
- 2. Judy agreed to draft a thank you message to be sent to those who responded to the on line survey.(DONE)
- 3. Steve and Gary will contact people who indicated an interest in possibly joining the ORNCC board. (DONE)
- 4. The Board agreed to give Adam Dopkin a gift certificate to Amazon as an expression of our appreciation for his help in resolving a serious website problem. (DONE)
- 5. Re. January Gathering: Judy agreed to gather additional information about details related to possibly having food catered at the event. We agreed to arrange for pre-registration.(DONE: Judy reported on these items later in the meeting.)
- 6. Letter written to people who responded to survey Judy wrote and Chris sent. DONE
- 7. Steve will send an email to people on email list inviting nominations to board—the message has been approved. **Steve will see that this gets sent out this week.**

## 3. Old Business

1. Board members reviewed and discussed ORNCC's mission.

- 2. Judy provided an update regarding the January event:
  - (a) Re. food: people can buy their own food at bistro downstairs. People can write their orders in the morning and the bistro will make it. ORNCC won't receive or take any money for this. Participants can also get food in the neighborhood outside of the venue.
  - (b) The board authorized Judy to sign the contract for the use of the venue.
  - (c) The flier needs to go out and info needs to be posted on website. Steve will check with Craig about his ability to put the registration form on the website.
  - (d) Title of the event: NVC Community Gathering, sponsored by Oregon Network for Compassionate Communication
  - (e) The Board agreed to sell NVC materials at the event and to do so at perhaps as much as 50% off retail price; *Steve will see if Joe Mitchell would be willing to help with this project and Steve will handle pricing.*
  - (f) Judy will send Steve a list of items that she would like included in our website announcement about the gathering.
- 3. Next steps regarding adding new board members: We discussed skills we are looking for in future board members.

## 4. New Business

- 1. Does ORNCC want to put out its own newsletter and/or have greater oversight of the Portland/Vancouver newsletter? This item was tabled without discussion.
- 2. Judy agreed to review ORNCC's website disclaimer notice and to report back her recommendations about this at the next board meeting.
- 3. Consideration of possible new projects proposed by Judy and Chris. The Board agreed to the following:
- a. ORNCC will sponsor a series of free workshops to community nonprofit organizations, e.g. Boys and Girls club s(perhaps six workshops for 2013). Judy's contact in Newport is not currently available. *Steve will contact someone at Big Brothers about offering a training to this group and will get back to us about this. Judy will check with F.O.R. in Corvallis about ongoing series.* The Board agreed to allocate \$2,000 for 2013 for these trainings (offering trainers up to \$500 for day long training).
- b. Judy will ask Adam Dopkin to review our website and Skype conference with Judy and Chris and she will report back about this at our next meeting.
- c. Judy will look for a local graphics person to help produce a new brochure and send an email with some dates for a meeting to create a new brochure and perhaps some other graphic materials, for example cards with feelings, needs, etc. The Board allocated up to \$500 for this project.

- d. The Board allocated up to \$1000 for 2013 for advertising and promotional materials.
- e. The Board (via Steve) will ask Craig Hennecke to spend up to five hours putting together a list of parenting organizations and their missions in Portland, Corvallis, Eugene and Salem. Steve will ask Craig to email this to all board members.
- 5. Adjourn at 4:05 pm to Sunday, November 11 originally scheduled as a 4-6 pm, Skype meeting, possibly to be changed to a day long in person meeting in Portland).

Respectfully submitted, Gary Baran, Secretary

Action items are in boldface and italics above.