ORNCC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Minutes for July 24, 2015 meeting. By phone.

Present: Gary Baran, Bryn Hazell, Sally Marie, Mark Babson, Steve Blechman, Selene Aitken

- 1. Call to order and check in 9:45am
- 2. Treasurer's report: Bank Balance is \$10,934.62.

Action items from previous meeting

- 1. Selene will introduce our new web tech to Craig. **Done.**
- 2. Mark will update the board on the status of the September 26 picnic. **Done.**
- 3. Sally will write something for the newsletter saying we're looking for someone to organize a picnic type community gathering in Portland. **Will be done.**
- 4. Selene will initiate a conversation with NVC practitioners who are also involved in other organizations, such as the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship about a collaborative effort to put on a public event like a picnic. Will be done.

 Action item: Selene will email people who have been involved with NVC might bring out folks who are interested. Peace House is a possibility.

New Business

a. Website update.

The new website: Elly at Echozone has said that she is about to get started.

<u>Action Item:</u> Gary will contact her on August 1 if we haven't heard from her that she's ready to start.

b. New web maintenance person and process of having items posted on our website

Barb Troyer is on board and has done some work for us already.

She has drafted a contract the Board has approved.

Bryn will be the person who will send Barb communications from the Board.

b. Eugene update

Slowly moving forward. Empathy tent has asked for a few new dates. Looking for a space where can have practice groups and trainings Contact a connection with the Mediation group to look for a space. Working on a Google Group. There is a fb page.

There will be a picnic next Spring.

Empathy Café, LMDV, Since the Marshall Memorial, she's had more participants. She will offer a training. Gary will offer a 12 week training.

There are plans for a possible ORNCC picnic-type gathering in Eugene to strengthen connection among NVC practitioners.

d. CNVC's New Future Process proposal for structure and governance.

Currently drafted materials are of interest in terms of how it would relate to ORNCC's structure and function, how they would weave together.

Gary has been reading their materials.

Feedback will be received by August 10th.

Suggestion that this material can be sent to anyone who is interested in the future of NVC in Oregon and CNVC in general. It offers an organizational structure without the usual hierarchical structure.

It represents "Out of the box" thinking.

Each step is being prepared and taken with care.

e. Salem Picnic The Prison Project picnic has been planned for August differentiating it from ORNCC Salem picnic. Mark has 3 or 4 people ready to help. Action Item: Gary, Bryn and Mark will consult on what the agenda will be and Mark will facilitate.

Action Item: Mark will submit the announcement to Sarah Peyton for inclusion in the newsletter, by August 10 and September 10.

- f. Fundraising. Discussion will continue once the new website is up.
- g. Recruitment of Board Members:

Action Item: Sally will put a notice in the newsletter.

We can make direct invitations. Especially more representation from the Portland area.

Action Item: Steve will talk to Vika Miller.

Action item: An invitation will be announced at the September picnic.

NEXT MEETINGS: August 28. 9:45 by phone.

September 25.

Meeting adjourned: 10:45am