

ORNCC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING Minutes

June 2, 2017, 9:30am in person in Eugene, OR.

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

1. Call to Order and Check in: 9:30

2. Treasurer's report \$ 7,486.47

in ORNCC's bank account. We haven't filed taxes. There is a possible fee outstanding, around \$15. Treasurer will get help with Quickbooks.

3. Action items from previous meeting

a. Action item: We will follow up with trainers on our site who haven't responded to the census to get their participation, including Board Members. **Ongoing**

b. Action item: Bryn will share with Board how to access the census on the website. Selene will add it to the top of the Agenda for the June 2nd meeting. **Done.**

c. Action item: Board members will participate in the census. **Done.**

d. Action item: Selene will receive the feedback and summarize for the Board.

e. Action item: Sally will ask Elly to set up a way that people who post a training to the website automatically are signed up to receive the newsletter. **Done.**

f. Action item: Gary will write up a suggestion for those who want support for a project using the ORNCC non-profit status as an umbrella for the project. Requires a document with guidelines and an application form.

g. Action item: Selene will ask Peace House how they work with organizations who use their 501.c3.

Continuing from previous meetings

1. How to organize the Census conversation.

2. Resources we can check out:

National Coalition for Dialogue and Deliberation

Allsides.com- News from Left, Right and Center.

Living Room Conversations

Green Tea Party

3. Census update – carried over from April meeting.

ORNCC Census Project – 2017

Send out specific ORNCC mailing asking folks to participate in the census and spread the word to their practice groups, etc. asking others to participate. Would like to have everyone participate. Want to get the full impact of NVC in ORNCC-LAND.

Bryn and Sally have volunteered to do this.

Here are my ideas/thoughts so far:

Organize CENSUS by

- Individuals,
- practice group leaders
- organizations
- trainers
- counselors

Use the census to create a web of connection in ORNCC-land. Contact everyone who replies to the census to:

1. Create a person-to-person connection to create and enhance our relationships in the community. “Hi, this is Bryn with the ORNCC board. Thank you for responding to our census. We’re so happy to have the connection with you.”
2. Ask how we could support them, i.e.:
 - invite them to participate in training and community events
 - training in their community
 - phone support – practice group issues, challenges, successes
 - network them with other nvcers in their area
 - empathy buddies
 - invite to board mtg
 - let others know they are available for training
 - other?

Contact people who have not responded to the census and ask for the information we’d like, i.e. the individuals and organizations Bryn found on the web.

Invite them to sign up for the newsletter. Ask them the same questions we are asking those who responded to the census.

Do we want to divide Oregon into geographical areas: Northern Willamette Valley, Southern Willamette Valley, Coast, Southern, Central/Eastern and each board member has an area?

4. Planning for the year. Considering our capacity in terms of time and energy. We choose to use the census as the base for our activity as a group.

Action item: Bryn will put together an invitation to participate in the census featuring stories we have received from around the state to participate in the census

Census Feature one of the people/groups who have answered the census with a special story each newsletter. One of us would contact them and ask them to write a couple of paragraphs for the newsletter. We make the contact.

When people write an article that we publish, we can include their picture.

Action item Sally will ask Elly if we can put photos in the newsletter.

5. Board Recruitment: discussion of possible individuals.

Action item Board recruitment from Portland area census respondents. Bryn will contact 3 different people.

Question: How do we support people around the state? Help support trainings.

Discussion of Practice Groups. Need locations and people committed to offering and sustaining groups.

Idea of creating a map based on the census that shows where NVC practitioners live.

NEXT MEETING: FRIDAY, JUNE 23 9:45AM BY PHONE