



Board of Directors
Annual Meeting Minutes
December 4, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT

John Gallegos, Vice Pres.
Melvina Skinner, Secretary
Margie Gardner, Treasurer
Helen Hollar
Michael Matthews
Scott Monarco
Steve Berg

MEMBERS ABSENT

John Haberman

NON-MEMBERS PRESENT

Johnnie DeLeon, Chief Executive Officer
Rosa Salo, Chief Financial Officer
240 + **InspirationField** Staff, Individuals and
Community Members

Welcome

DeLeon welcomed everyone to the **InspirationField** 2017 Annual Board Meeting/Dinner.

Blessing

Danny Yost said a blessing for the 2017 Annual Board Meeting/Dinner.

Moment of Silence

Danny Yost asked the crowd to join in a moment of silence to remember three people who has passed away.

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Vice-President Gallegos at 6:07 p.m. Gallegos welcomed guests to the **InspirationField** Board of Directors 2017 Annual Dinner/Meeting.

Election of Officers

Gallegos asked for nominations for Board officers. Gallegos nominated that Helen Hollar resume the position of Board President and that all other current members stay the same with Gallegos as Vice-President, Skinner as Secretary and Gardner as Treasurer.

Motion was made by Berg and seconded by Monarco and carried unanimously to elect Hollar as President and that all current members remain as the same officers. (Gallegos as Vice-President, Skinner as Secretary, and Gardner as treasurer.)

Board Meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m. and the Annual Dinner continued.

Outstanding Volunteer Recognition

Outstanding volunteers were named by Coffield. These volunteers have donated countless hours ranging from meetings, planning, music classes and helping in our stores.

Coffield thanked Mabel DeLeon, Jan DeLeon, Sally Kappel, and Robert Ahlquist who donate their time on a weekly basis at Global Treasurz in La Junta or teach a weekly music class.

Each volunteer was presented a thank you card and a \$25 gift card.

DeLeon thanked the La Junta Tiger Sharks for serving the drinks for the dinner and asked them all to come on the stage and presented them with a \$100 donation check.

“Children’s Memories”

Backes presented a Slideshow showing all the pictures of the past year’s events for the children program.

Friends of IF Recognition

DeLeon presented an **InspirationField** statue to an outstanding community member for his dedication to the agency. 2017 Friends of IF Inductee was: Cal Logan.

“Treasured Memories”

Coffield presented a Slideshow showing all the pictures throughout the agency of trips, events, etc. from the past year.

Individual Recognition Awards

Backes presented a Slideshow of all the nominees for the Individual Recognition Awards the winners were: Brightest Star: Loretta Vialpando, Take Charge: Scott Cabiness, Excellence: Yolanda Rael and Outstanding Citizen Award: Elaine Schlee. Backes and Denahy presented the winners with a certificate and \$125 cash.

InspirationField Board Member Recognition

DeLeon and Coffield presented the IF Board of Directors, ARKVA House Board members, AVCC Housing Board members, and Prairieview Housing Board members with a thank you card, and a \$25 gift card for their continued service to **InspirationField** and individuals with developmental disabilities.

Inspiration Award

2017 Inspiration Award was presented by Salo. Salo recognized each nominee and presented each with a plaque. Nominees: Maria Perez, Samantha Owen, Briana Apodaca and Steven Morales were recognized as winners of the quarterly nomination for 2017. Salo shared a video recording in which staff and individuals praised each of the candidates for their continued service and dedication to the agency. Each nominee received a recognition award of \$100 during the quarter in which they were nominated. The recipient of the Inspiration Award received an additional \$500 and a plaque of recognition. The 2017 Inspiration Award recipient was Maria Perez.

Open Public Forum

Julia Hoepfner opened the Public Forum to the public for any comments. Many individuals in service gave thanks and appreciation to one another or staff and wished all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

“A Christmas Medley”

Kidron Backes and Brian Gauna sang a medley of Christmas songs.

Tiger Resources for Youth Presentation

DeLeon shared a video of the donations through Tiger Resources for Youth (TRY) and the annual Toy Bowl football game.

Chief Executive Officer Closing Comments

DeLeon thanked everyone for attending the 2017 Annual Meeting and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. DeLeon asked that everyone look under their seat for a red heart which indicated they won the centerpiece at their table. DeLeon asked the crowd to reflect on their lives, think of their dreams or any goals they have while he played Silent Night.

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

The next scheduled board meeting will be held on Monday, January 8, 2017 at 11:30 a.m. at **Inspiration**Field, 612 Adams Ave. La Junta, CO, Tiger Field Room.

Respectfully, submitted by Caitlin Coffield, Community Relations Director

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