



INSPIRATION **if** FIELD

Board of Directors
Annual Meeting Minutes
December 2, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT

John Gallegos
Melvina Skinner, Secretary
Margie Gardner, Treasurer
Helen Hollar, President
Rob Oquist
Pat Finkner

MEMBERS ABSENT

Steve Berg, Vice-Pres.
Danny Yost

NON-MEMBERS PRESENT

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

Welcome

DeLeon welcomed everyone to the **InspirationField** 2019 Annual Board Meeting/Dinner.

Blessing

Corey Roberts said a blessing for the 2019 Annual Board Meeting/Dinner.

Moment of Silence

Corey Roberts asked the crowd to join in a moment of silence to remember six people who have passed away.

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by President Hollar at 6:29 p.m. Hollar welcomed guests to the **InspirationField** Board of Directors 2019 Annual Dinner/Meeting.

Election of Officers

Hollar asked for nominations for Board officers. Gallegos nominated that Helen Hollar resume the position of Board President, that Berg take the position of Vice-President, Finkner take the position of Treasurer and Oquist take the position of Secretary.

Motion was made by Berg and seconded by Gardner and carried unanimously to elect Hollar as President, Berg and Vice-President, Finkner as Treasurer and Oquist as Secretary.

Board Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m. and the Annual Dinner continued.

Outstanding Volunteer Recognition

Outstanding volunteers were named by DeLeon. These volunteers have donated countless hours ranging from helping at Global Treasurz thrift store and the **InspirationField** Kitchen.

Coffield thanked Mabel DeLeon, Troy Platt, and Melinda Wahl who donate their time on a daily or weekly basis at Global Treasurz in La Junta or the **InspirationField** Kitchen.

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

DeLeon thanked the Western Stars 4-H Club from Crowley County for serving the drinks for the dinner and asked them all to come on the stage and presented them with a \$100 donation check.

IF Fashion Show

Salo and the Inspiration Award Talent Show Winners performed their winning act.

“Family Interview”

Backes presented a Slideshow created by Kristel VonWeller showing family interviews that were conducted regarding the services they receive.

“I Remember When”

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

Individual Recognition Awards

DeLeon and Denahy presented a Slideshow of all the nominees for the Individual Recognition Awards the winners were: Brightest Star: Tabitha, Take Charge: Toby, Excellence: Kayla and Outstanding Citizen Award: Fearless Four. Backes and Baker presented the winners with a certificate and \$125 cash.

“Christmas Is All In The Heart”

Sang by Rob and Colleen Oquist

InspirationField Board Member Recognition

DeLeon and Salo 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

2019 Inspiration Award was presented by Salo. Salo recognized each nominee and presented each with a plaque. Nominees: Elias Altamirano, Renee Mora-Menges, Samantha Owen and Erika Rodriguez were recognized as the nominees of the quarterly nomination for 2019. 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. The recipient of the Inspiration Award received an additional \$500 and a plaque of recognition. The 2019 Inspiration Award recipient was Samantha Owen.

“Hotel California”

Sang by Kristel, Bruce and Mike

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.

Chief Executive Officer Closing Comments

DeLeon thanked everyone for attending the 2019 Annual Meeting and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. DeLeon asked that everyone look under their seat for a red cardinal 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 Rob and Colleen Oquist sang Silent Night.

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

The next scheduled board meeting will be held on Monday, January 6, 2020 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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