Solace Crisis Treatment Center

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Board Minutes

Board Meeting January 21, 2017

Present: Ned Jacobs, Carolyn Moore, John Triolo, Megan Mead, Edith Sparks, Katya Franzgen, Carolyn Wright, Anastacio Trujillo, Angelina Hull, Brooke Gilder, Katrina Johnson, María José Rodríguez Cádiz, Julie Madrid and Rachel Greenstein

Absent: Pat Simons

I. Introduction. The meeting was called to order at 9:10am. The Board was introduced to Yvette Roybal, the General Manager at Fiesta Auto Group, who has been working in partnership with Solace to donate a portion of the proceeds of each car sold to Solace.

Ms. Roybal spoke about the partnership and the Board thanked her for her support.

II. Presentation by Julie Madrid, Assistant Director, Clinical & Programs. Ms. Madrid provided the Board a description of the services provided on the clinical side and some background information on her role at Solace. The purpose of this presentation was to increase the familiarity of the Board with the services Solace provides.

III. Fund Development Report.

- A. The Board was updated on the status of the Platinum Music Awards, including a meeting with the film office about the event. Carolyn Wright had put out an RFP for a short video about the work of Solace, to be shown at the Awards and received several responses. She will vet the responses and share the best options with the Fundraising Committee. Katrina Johnson is in the process of negotiating hotel discounts on rooms. Additional sponsors for the event are still being sought.
- B. Rachel Greenstein, Fund Development Director, provided a development report. The 45th Anniversary of Solace was discussed and the possibility of approaching City Hall to be the recipient of the Mayor's Ball.

- C. The group brainstormed ways to make needed capital improvements on the building, such as starting a Capital Improvement Fund, giving donors naming rights to certain parts of the building, or asking donors to make an annual commitment for maintenance. The Board recognized that having a facility in good working order was essential for Solace to be able to carry on its operations.
- IV. The Executive Director provided her report.
 - A. Ms. Rodríguez Cádiz first provided an organizational overview of Solace to benefit new Board members. The Board requested that Jess Clark, Education and Prevention Department Manager, attend the next Board meeting.
 - B. Ms. Rodríguez Cádiz provided an overview of the upcoming budget for FY 2017 2018 and confirmed the Board would receive the proposed budget in May.
 - C. The results of the audit were very good, but the Board agreed that a new auditing firm should be selected for 2017. John Triolo made a motion, seconded by Carolyn Wright, to receive at least 3 bids from different auditing firms for a September 2017 audit.
 - D. Katrina Johnson had performed an evaluation of the performance of Solace's endowment and Investment Policy Statement (IPS). She noted several areas that could be improved in the IPS and will circulate a revised draft to the Finance Committee, that will ultimately be submitted to the Board for approval and adoption.
 - E. The Board heard an update on the legislative session. Agencies are working to protect promised funds and no agencies are likely to receive any additional funding in 2017 owing to the state budget crisis.
- V. The Board was introduced to Sergeant Webb, who leads the child sex crimes and internet crimes against children units. Sgt. Webb presented on the work of his team and the successful partnership that Solace and the SFPD have.