Board Minutes
Board Meeting
January 30, 2016
9:00 am – 12:30 pm

Present: Meghan Mead, Ned Jacobs, Carolyn Moore, Pat Simons, John Triolo, Carolyn Wright, Lisa Vakharia (10:45-12:00) Maria Jose Rodriguez Cadiz (11:30-12:30)

1. James Armijo is resigning from the board. Pat made a motion to accept the resignation and John seconded. Motion passed 5-0. The board of Solace thanks James for his hard work and many contributions over the years.

2. John Triolo presented the financial report and reported on meeting with Solace’s investment advisor. Carolyn made a motion to continue with our current investment strategy with quarterly check-ins and Pat seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

3. The board discussed the ED evaluation process, including timing and scope. Carolyn made a motion to adopt template evaluation form, which Pat seconded. Motion passed 5-0 and board agreed to have evaluations to Ned by 2/6.

4. Board brainstormed various fundraising events, focusing on types of events that would have potential for broad community support and low up-front cost commitment from Solace.

5. Lisa Vakharia presented on development and fundraising. Discussed status of government and nonprofit grants, implementation of donor perfect software, and outreach to donors. Revisited idea of having a recommended amount for board members to donate and revising forms accordingly. Also discussed including number of people served by Solace’s departments on website to show our aggregate impact on the community.

6. Maria Jose Rodriguez Cadiz provided updates on staffing, capital outlay funds, and bills from the 2016 legislative session that might affect Solace.

7. Board voted to accept Carolyn Wright as new board member.
8. Board voted to open new banking accounts with a deposit amount of $25,000 each at different local banks for the purpose of continuing our partnership development with local businesses.

9. Meeting adjourned at 12:30 pm.