

DES MOINES WATER WORKS PARK FOUNDATION
Board of Directors Meeting
Friday, May 12 - DMWW 12:00 - 1:30
Meeting Minutes - Draft



Board In attendance: Hannah Inman, John Koehn, Dave Carlson, Katie Gillette, Ryan Flynn, Matt Van Loon, Ryan Hanser, Chad Rasmussen, Randy Reichardt, Claudia Schabel (phone), Kate Byus, Zac Voss (phone), Proctor Lureman, Amy Jennings.

Staff/Guests: Dan Klopfer – DMWW, Sam Carrell – DMWWPF (phone), Larry James, Jr.

I. Call to Order/Welcome/Affirm Agenda

- Inman called the meeting to order at 12:05 pm

II. Approve previous minutes

- A motion was made to approve the April meeting minutes.

Moved: Hanser **Second:** Flynn **APPROVED**

III. BOD Development

- Connect Downtown update - Larry James, Jr., Attorney at Law, Faegre Baker Daniels LLP; Natural Capital Co-Chair; Iowa Soil & Water Future Task Force Co-Chair
- James reviewed plans surrounding the region for connectivity and a discussion ensued around significance to the Water Works Project and different aspects on how we were currently working together and in the future.

IV. Presidents Report– Hannah Inman

Inman summarized the connections of Board members to the ongoing work around connectivity and leadership in other initiatives such as Capital Crossroads, etc.

V. Goal Progress/Committees

i. Finance/Treasurers Report – Ryan Flynn

- Flynn reviewed the April Financials. A motion was made to accept the April Financials.

Moved: Gillette **Second:** Lureman **APPROVED**

ii. Development - Kate Byus

- Byus reported that we are now over \$6.7 million in pledges and several million in asks still in the works. She acknowledged the work of the

Campaign Executive Committee and the Board members who took part. She stated we were working on another donor appreciation event this fall.

iii. Implementation – Chad Rasmussen

- Rasmussen recapped the work of the technical design team and where RDG was with schematic.

iv. Marketing/Communication – Ryan Hanser

- Hanser reviewed the upcoming newsletter and was working on a strategic communication plan.

v. User Groups - Dylan Huey/Jed Gammell

- No report (Gammell was on Partnership Trip along with Carrell)

vi. Governance – Claudia Schabel

- Schabel updated the Board on where she was on the board evaluation and Executive evaluation forms and told the Board members to be on the lookout for them.

vii. Wild Designation – Zac Voss

- Voss had to drop off the line prior to report, but will update the Board next month.

viii. DMWW Report – Marc Wallace/Dave Carlson/Dan Klopfer

- Klopfer shared more information about the meeting that took place between the Corp of Engineers, City Engineers, the DNR, DMWW engineering, RDG and DMWWPF reps. After reviewing our plans, it was determined that unless we encroached on the toe of the levy, the Corps would have no authority and permitting would be up to the city. The DNR view was that unless we violated environmental law they too would have no authority. Clarification on required distances was being tracked down by the Dave Kamp (city).
- Klopfer also reviewed DMWW planning around their Capital Improvement Plan and how that might impact our plans.

VI. Old Business - No old business.

VII. New Business

- Inman recapped the conversations we have had with the different entertainment promoters (local, regional & national) and the different perspectives they have provided around programming the amphitheater. She concluded that we should conduct a more informed feasibility study that further defined the programming opportunities and scope surrounding the amphitheater so that we could make some more informed decisions/recommendations around its programming. We will be creating an RFP to solicit the study. Reichardt reminded the board that our intent was not to turn it into a every night “Rock Concert,” and it was important to control that perception so that it was understood our intent was to

create a true community center piece. Inman explained that the study would help us better understand the different options so we could make more informed decisions around programming and financial considerations.

VIII. Announcements – No announcements

IX. Adjourn

- The Meeting was adjourned at 1:46 pm

Upcoming Meetings/Events

DMWWPF June Board Meeting: Friday, June 9 - 12:00–1:30 pm – DMWW