# MN Fundraising Initiative (MNFI)

## Board Meeting, Monday, September 12, 2022

Attendees: Martin Cross, Patti Cross, Stacy Schelkoph, Monica Fisher, Jessica Musta, Kelly McElderry

Attendee via phone: Heather Murphy

Special Guest Meeting (Totino Grace- Angi Burns) call to order 6:05 pm

Open to all MNFI Members meeting call to order at 6:30 pm

Board Only Meeting call to order at 7:40 pm

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### **Special Guest Meeting**

- Special Totino Grace Meeting, this was added for MNFI to consider what it may look like if TG (Eagle Foundation) joins MNFI. This is not being considered a partnership, but MNFI would be taking over and leading all volunteer activities. MNFI would also take over TG stands currently held.
  - Martin highlights venue options MNFI has today
  - TG rep Angie Burns provides us with a list, states scheduling assistance will be done by MNFI
  - Next Steps for Angie, wait to hear back on MNFI approval to move forward. She will then communicate to her group and copy our group.
- 2. Things to consider for MNFI, landing page for TG
- 3. Discuss lead payments, currently TG \$50 for Lead and \$50 for inventory

#### Open to all MNFI Members Meeting

- 1. Two members outside of the board were able to attend
- 2. Jessica makes opening remarks welcomes everyone to the meeting, highlights goals and feedback request to ensure the board is staying connected with its members.
- 3. Patti provides a brief history of MNFI, highlighting we support over 690 families and have 1400 volunteers.
- 4. Two members in attendance highlight for us their reason for attending
- 5. Martin asks group for feedback on a 'volunteer rewards' option. This was open brainstorming some ideas captured were FB badge, Sweatshirt giveaway, Create Jersey with # of events, considerer seniority in sign ups (this was not favorable to all).
- 6. Next feedback item was how to message to members when events were available. Considering opt in/opt out, scheduling time, live notification, automation, or a push notice (if available)
- 7. Open discussion around what else the advisory board would like to see

- a. Carpool discussion
- b. Cash tip discussion
- c. Tip info added in stand notes
- d. Guidelines for Managers (Monica and Jessica)
- e. Discuss \$10 being to low for cash tip due to amount of time involved with splitting.

# **Board Members Only Meeting**

- Discuss the TG proposal from the meeting at 6:00 pm earlier in the evening. Open discussion around ensuring communication is clear in this process and that we take care of all actions before the contract ends. Patti highlights how this cannot be a merger it would be MNFI taking over stands and activities around TG volunteers. The TG group essentially is dissolving. September 20<sup>th</sup> is the date agreed on.
  - a. <u>VOTE ITEM Unanimous Approval</u>, as long as the MNFI conditions are met especially around the TG group dissolving. MNFI does not want to create a 'middle person' and cause confusion in either group. MNFI will be the only group remaining in this scenario.
- 2. Advisory Board (Jessica)
  - a. Discuss if we want to meet with this group prior to the board meetings, encouraging continued feedback from a larger member audience. Pattie and Monica will take the initial lead on this.
- 3. Banking (Stacy)
  - a. Additional questions came up that will be brought forward to the banks under consideration.
    - i. Is there a per check fee
    - ii. Will we have a daily limit
    - iii. Any international rules
    - iv. Is a credit check necessary
- 4. US Bank Donation (Kelly)
  - a. Martin to follow up with venue and appealing the amount, they are experiencing data challenges and have IT looking into it. Board recognizes that this is taking a little longer.
- 5. Managers Discussions (Monica)
- 6. MNFI Tech Talk (Martin)
  - a. Discuss status of Microsoft emails
  - b. Cloud Services
  - c. Discounts on products
- 7. <u>VOTE ITEM</u> (Martin) <u>Unanimous Approval</u>. Computers and other electronic devices should no longer be reimbursed, MNFI now has discount on these products.

- 8. Teams Training Page (Martin) In progress
- 9. Tour (Martin) In Progress
- 10. VOTE ITEM Unanimous Approval. Thank you & GC for exemplary member

Action Items to Vote on at next Meeting, Monday, October 10th @ 6:30

- Martin's Contract
- Patti's change date to 6 months for reimbursement
- Patty via text, School tuition grant must go to school, not just for college, all levels of education
- Patty via text, Student loan changes to loan company
- Jessica via text, follow up for someone receiving a discount on loans and how it will work

