

VFP Board Meeting Minutes - Phone Conference Call September 21, 2009

Present: Ferner, Bolger, Goldshlag, Kufeldt, Williams, Adams, Collins, McCann, Mayers. And ED McPhearson

Call meeting to order 7:05

Review agenda

ED report

Motion to archive our records with Swarthmore College Seconded and passed
Consent motion to continue policy to sell corporate stocks as we get them.

Development Committee

Pull together an Advisory Committee

McPhearson will draft a statement of what we want

Amazon on home page

Motion not to add a disclaimer to the Amazon button reminding people to support independent bookstore. Motion Failed

Staff to make some suggestions about how to remind members to support local and then buy Amazon

October Planning Meeting Agenda

Friday 4:00 walk through facility and 7:30 short business meeting

8:00 – 5:00 Sat

Host chapter will provide some kind of a box lunch Sat

Host chapter presentation 8:30 AM Sun

Motion to invite IVAW & MFSO to our planning meeting. Seconded and passed

Motion to invite VVAW to our planning meeting. Seconded and passed

ED will be responsible for sending the Guidelines for hosting a VFP Board meeting to host chapters

Motion to offer any non board members and non staff members who are invited to attend will be offered the same consideration we offer board members. Seconded and passed

Clarifying of Charters of Chapters

President will move ahead with this (from April 09)

Formation of Finance Committee

President will move ahead with forming this committee (from Aug 09)

By consent motion, have new finance committee take on drafting of more rigorous oversight of donor-designated funds & speed special projects to submit report by Jan

Membership committee

Motion to accept the following policy regarding "Charge of Misconduct":

A charge of misconduct may be applied to all categories of membership: full, associate or honorary. Generally speaking, misconduct is characterized as conduct injurious to the organization or its purposes, conduct tending to injure the good name of the organization, disturb its well being, or hamper it in its work, and conduct unworthy of a member of this organization. The following are examples of grounds for disciplinary action (including revocation of membership), but are not inclusive:

- 1) Falsification of a document verifying veteran status;
- 2) Affirming the VFP Statement of Purpose under false pretenses;
- 3) Public advocacy or actions contrary to the VFP Statement of Purpose;
- 4) Malfeasance while serving in an official VFP capacity at the chapter or national level;

Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised may be employed as a guide during the following procedure where appropriate in the opinion of the Board of Directors.

Procedures for investigating and hearing claims of misconduct.

The case for disciplinary action will be prepared by the Membership Committee and presented to the full Board with a recommended course of action. If the Board votes to proceed further, the member in question will be notified by certified mail by the President of the grounds for disciplinary action. The person under investigation, or his/her representative who may be someone outside the organization, will be given the opportunity to reply in writing and/or appear before the Board at a regular Board meeting. The Board will then discuss the case in closed session and reach a conclusion by motion and vote on the disposition of the case.

Motion that the staff is tasked with completing the chapter contact calls.
Seconded and passed

Discussion membership recruitment

We will all send our member recruiting experiences, techniques, and ideas to Bolger
E-blast to have a recruiting corner
Can national track potential members for us

Call adjourned 9:11

Submitted by Elliott Adams Secretary pro tem