

**MANNA FoodBank
Board of Directors Meeting**

Date: April 24, 2019	Begin Time: 5:00	End Time: 6:30	Total Time: 1 1/2 hr
Members Present: Judy Butler, Keith Collins, Mary Davis, Melody Dunlop, Ron Edgerton, John Forsyth, Bud Hughes, David Jenkins, Jim Mathews, Steve Metcalf, Louise O'Connor, Cindy Piercy, Jerry Prickett, Calvin Tomkins, Sage Turner, Ed Zaidberg			
Location: Laurel's Kitchen			
Staff Members Present: Nancy Flippin, Jill Hansen, Mary Nesbitt, Hannah Randall			
Members Absent: Leann Bridges, Karen Olsen, Robert Simmons (on leave)			
Topic/Member	Discussion/Recommendations/Conclusions	Notes FRAC	
Call to Order	Steve Metcalf called the meeting to order and presided. He called on Melody Dunlop to state the mission and vision of MANNA FoodBank		
Consent Calendar	The minutes of the January board meeting, previously distributed, were approved as written.	Approved	
Finance Committee Report, Q3, Mary Davis, Nancy Flippin	<p>Mary reported that MANNA is in a strong position with excellent financial health. There is cash on hand for a six to nine month period. It is unclear how tax reform will be a factor going forward. Investment returns were down in early in the year but have rebounded in March.</p> <p>Nancy reported liquidity at 4.6:1. Currently, MANNA is 7.5% over budget, with strong foundation giving, uptick in bequests (75% of budget), special event on track. Earned income is down slightly below budget while revenue is up 9%, TEFAP strong, milk "flowing".</p> <p>There are rising costs in equipment repair and fuel though expense overall is on track.</p> <p>Decisions will be made with collaboration including office renovation and a compensation study.</p> <p>Health insurance has changed but with same coverage.</p>		
Sourcing Report Q3, Hannah	Distribution is up 9% with produce being a strong factor. There is continued great involvement from various sources with 85% being donations and 15% purchased. TEFAP will be up through September. There is discussion, however, with NC regarding administering of TEFAP. Drastic weather patterns of late are seriously raising questions about availability and cost.		

<p>February Board Activities, Hannah and board members involved</p>	<p>There were two opportunities, one in Canton, one in Spring Creek at the Salvation Army facility. The board members present saw MANNA Express in action, and were in action themselves, including our fearless leader who drove a truck. Seeing folks lining up to get food made our work seem more relevant, especially in places such as Spring Creek, a food desert lacking grocery stores. The days illustrated that we have a lot to do.</p>	
<p>Racial Equity Workshop, Board reflections</p>	<p>The racial equity workshop was another eye opener. Led by two women of color (one black, one Latinx), the workshop pointed out the real barriers people of color face. They pointed out that we need to understand more in order to make things improve. Feeding America is fostering a movement on a larger level.</p> <p>The next step at MANNA is to continue work with the workshop leaders to move all involved with MANNA toward diversification. Membership and Governance will work to diversify our board. All of this work is about equity and inclusion, a multifaceted issue. MANNA has a real opportunity to lead by example. As Steve pointed out, it is an absolute priority to have.</p>	
<p>Framing the Future, Executive Summary, Hannah</p>	<p>Hannah presented documentation (attached) that outlines the framing of the future. Citing challenges and their possible impact, she has outlined conceptually what to work on next year. A key element is working on things that feed the draft and prepare the board to approve in June the budget for the coming year. In presenting the executive summary, Hannah not only talked about continuing what MANNA has always done, she indicated that information technology will be a factor in all that MANNA does, and that MANNA will continue to be in an advocacy position in the community-wide discussion of hunger in WNC.</p>	
<p>Development Committee Report, Jim Mathews</p>	<p>Jim gave an abbreviated report on the status of major fund-raising events: Table for 3 (complimenting Louise O'Connor for her outstanding work), Blue Jean Ball, (Foodstock), Hops for Hunger, the hotel participation in Sweet Dreams, Full Plates, and Empty Bowls. All are moving forward steadily thanks to Mary's leadership and the enthusiasm of the committee.</p>	
<p>President's Report, Steve</p>	<p>Steve, as an addendum to earlier comments, offered thanks for the special events.</p> <p>He reported that he will be with his niece walking the pilgrimage trail in Portugal and Spain from May 10 through May 30.</p> <p>He spoke of the obituary of Jack Stevens, a pillar in the Asheville community for decades.</p>	

CEO's Report, Hannah	Having presented significant information above, Hannah simply reported that Rasheeda has resigned from the board because of an overload of other responsibilities.	
Old Business New Business	None	
Handouts	Meeting Agenda, January Board Minutes, Framing the Future Summary, Financials, and Sourcing Report	
Adjournment	6:30 P. M.	
Next Meeting	At 5 P.M. in Laurel's Kitchen, 627 Swannanoa River Road, June 19	

Submitted May 22, 2019

Jerry Prickett, Secretary