Oversight Committee for State Employee Charitable Contributions (OCSECC)

Special Meeting Notice

Wednesday, August 18, 2021 – 3:00 p.m.
Will Rogers Building, Room C-47
2401 North Lincoln Boulevard
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Minutes

Notice for this special meeting was filed with the Office of the Secretary of State; the Agenda was posted in the Will Rogers Building in the glass case at the west entrance. This meeting was conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Open Meeting Act, Sections 301 through 315, Title 25.

Members Present     Members Absent
Jennifer Swearingen     Margell Newbold
Stacey Foster         Emily Giles
Brenda Sullivan       Katrina Conrad-Legler
Russell Boyd

Tracy Osburn, OMES/HCM Legal Representative
Anita Rhea, OMES/HCM Secretary

SPCFO Representatives
Ashleigh Sorrell-Rose, United Way of Central Oklahoma
Kirsten Pierce, United Way of Central Oklahoma

A. Call to order and roll call.
   Chair Swearingen called the meeting to order; roll was called.

B. Notice of Compliance with Open Meetings Act.
   Anita Rhea read the Statement of Compliance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act. The statement was signed after the reading.
C. **Review and approve Minutes from the special meeting on May 12, 2021.**
   Vice Chair Stacey Foster made the motion to approve the Minutes of the June 9, 2021, special meeting. Russell Boyd seconded the motion. All other members present approved the motion.

D. **Committee discussion on the 2021 Pacesetter Campaign.**
   Ashleigh Sorrell-Rose introduced Kirsten Pierce, the new state Campaign Director. Kirsten has been working with the Pacesetter OJA and even though their goal was $5,000.00 they have so far received $5,346.00 in donations. OJA has also agreed to be the guinea pig for a new platform *Easy Pledge*, instead of last year’s *Mobilecause*, which was very cumbersome. *Easy Pledge* will be much easier and quicker to use.

E. **Committee discussion concerning the 2021 Charity Guide.**
   Ashleigh reported that this was the main reason for calling the meeting today. There was a change to the 2021 Charity Guide which effects Central and Western Oklahoma’s federations. *American Red Cross* is resigning their partner agency status with the United Way. They are restructuring at the national level. The *OKC* partner agency has reduced their staff from 40 to about 4 people. The United Way requires rigorous criteria and the agency does not have the manpower to get this done. The *American Red Cross* will continue to be a strong partner with the United Way, just not a funded partner. The resignation effects only the Western and Central Oklahoma chapters. The Charity Guide has been updated accordingly. Luckily, the company that prints the guide, prints it page by page and the correction was made immediately.

F. **Committee discussion concerning the 2021 Kick-off Meeting.**
   Kirsten reported that there will be two (2) Kick-off meetings this year. Virtual and also in person. One event will be held here in between Sequoia and Will Rogers buildings on September 15 from 2-4 pm. And the other event is downtown at the Commons building on September 21 from 10 – noon. *J.D. Strong*, the SCC Chairperson, will attend both kick off events. There will be food, raffles, music, just lots of fun!

G. **Report from Chair.**
   No report, but Chair Swearingen asked the members to reach out to their agencies, making sure that they have a coordinator and letting them know of the kick off events and we want it to be a successful campaign.
Chair Swearingen thanked Anita Rhea for her hard work these past 7 years; Anita is retiring September 1.

H. Discussion of possible Agenda Items for the next meeting.
The next meeting is scheduled for November 10 @ 10 AM.

I. Comments from visitors limited to Agenda Items (5 minutes per person).
   No visitors.

J. Adjournment.
   Chair Swearingen moved to adjourn the special meeting of the Oversight Committee for State Employees Charitable Contributions. Brenda Sullivan seconded the motion. All members present approved.