

Attending: John Wilson, Al Hasham, Dan Dagg, Moira Hauk, Christina Clarke, Rahim Khudabux, Carmen Charette, Pedro Marquez, Catherine Holt, Lise Gyorkos, Paul van Koll, Ian Batey, Kris Wirk, Captain (Navy) Sam Sader, Cheryl Wirch-Ryckman (staff).

Regrets: Danielle Fullwood

1. Agenda/Minutes

Motion to approve agenda as is.

Moved by Rahim Khudabux

Seconded by Al Hasham

Carried

Motion to approve minutes from previous board meeting.

Moved by Lise Gyorkos

Seconded by John Wilson

Carried

2. Chair's Remarks

The new and returning board members were welcomed and introductions of the entire board were made. The chair reviewed procedures, including terms and engagement requirements. The Nominating Committee's recommendations for board placements on various Chamber committees was reviewed and discussed.

Motion to accept the recommendation of the Nominating Committee for Board placements in Chamber committees for 2020.

Moved by Al Hasham

Seconded by Ian Batey

Carried

Motion to appoint Sam Sader, Brianna Green, Judith Ethier and Catherine Holt to the 2020 Board.

Moved by Dan Dagg

Seconded by John Wilson

Carried

Nominations for the Chamber Member of the Year were discussed by the Board and Rahim Khudabux was voted in as Chamber Member of the Year 2020.

Motion to nominate Rahim Khudabux as Chamber Member of the Year for the 2020 Business Awards

Moved by John Wilson

Seconded by Christina Clarke

Carried

Reminder that nominations for the Governors' Lifetime Achievement Awards remain open and the vote will take place January 8, 2020

3. Finance & Audit Committee

The financials are on track or slightly better in areas due to a large number of successful events. Investment is doing well. Year end should end as net positive.

Motion to accept the financials as presented.

Moved by Kris Wirk

Seconded by Moira Hauk

Carried

The 2020 Budget was presented to the Board for approval. The budget is a hybrid of building each item from the ground up coupled with historic comparisons. Dues revenue is a stretch goal but overall the budget is realistic and manageable through prudent management of expenses. Investment is doing well.

Motion to approve the 2020 Budget as presented.

Moved by Kris Wirk

Seconded by Rahim Khudabux

Carried

4. **Committee Reports**

Executive & Governance Committee's draft minutes were reviewed. Including a new initiative in recognition of the board's time and financial commitment to the ongoing success of The Chamber, tickets to Business Leader lunches will now be 10% off. Written parameters on this to follow.

Public Policy & Advocacy Committee reported on policy objectives for 2020 as developed by the committee which is made up of a broad, cross-section of members and board directors informed by presentations throughout the year by stakeholders and community drivers. The 2019 objectives along with the 2020 objectives were reviewed. Priorities are created based on input from members, media, community and board.

Motion to approve the 2020 Advocacy Priorities as presented.

Moved by Pedro Marquez

Seconded by Ian Batey

Carried

Prodigy Group retreat was the Sunday prior to the Board retreat. The timing was adjusted to harmonize with the Board Planning session and align with the Board Priorities. Erin Boggs was voted in as the incoming vice-chair for 2020. Sponsorship and Special Events for 2020 are now focused on creative mingles, newcomers and community outreach, and PowerPlay. The decision was made not to renew the sponsorship for TP the Town for 2020. Meetings will continue to be approximately 10 per year but meeting time has been shortened to 7:30 – 8:30. New tagline: Your pathway to connecting with a diverse community of emerging professionals.

Ambassador Committee is on track with engagement goals set for ambassadors and new goals have been set to have presentations from benefit partners in order to better assist them in helping members understand the many offerings of The Chamber. Christine Lewis will be proceeding as the Staff Liaison for the committee in 2020.

Motion to accept the Policy, Prodigy & Ambassador Reports as presented.

Moved by Rahim Khudabux

Seconded by Lise Gyorkos

Carried

5. **Next Meeting – Tuesday, January 28, 2020 - 7:30 – 9:30am**

Motion to adjourn

Moved by Al Hasham

Seconded by Rahim Khudabux

Carried


Secretary


Chair

Date: 01/28/20