NOVAworks Foundation

Quarterly Meeting of the Board of Directors

Minutes

May 24, 2021

Meeting was held via videoconference

Present: Carl Cimino, Dennis Cima, Frank Benest, Bruce Knopf, Steve Levy, Jen Morrill, Laura

Stefanski

Secretary/Treasurer: Kris Stadelman

NOVA Staff: Debbie Gamble, Luther Jackson

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. by vice president, Mr. Cima, acting temporarily for president, Mr. Cimino.
- 2. It was moved by Mr. Benest, seconded by Mr. Knopf and carried by voice vote that the Agenda be approved as submitted.
- 3. It was moved by Mr. Knopf, seconded by Mr. Benest, and carried by voice vote that the Minutes of the meeting of September 21, 2020, be approved as submitted.
- 4. It was moved by Mr. Knopf, seconded by Mr. Benest and carried by voice vote that the Board of Directors approve the Foundation Financial Statement.
- 5. The Board of Directors received a fundraising update for the Foundation. Mr. Benest asked how LinkedIn partnership model can be replicated with other foundations and offered to assist with replication efforts. Mr. Cimino requested the Foundation seek additional funds to support workforce activities not funded through existing resources. Ms. Stadelman cited specific activities that cannot be funded by WIOA and existing sources. Those include test taking fees and food. Mr. Levy asked how NOVAworks might help women return to the workforce with support for childcare and other resources. Mr. Benest recommended that staff report back with recommendations for how Foundation and philanthropic and other resources might fill gaps in vital customer services. Ms. Stadelman and Mr. Jackson said staff would respond to the Board with a list of work plan topics including scaling the LinkedIn partnership model, filling gaps in services from WIOA funding limitations, establishing a mature workers program in San Mateo County with ProMatch alumni assistant, and enhancing the Foundation's fundraising infrastructure.
- 6. The meeting was adjourned at 3:56 pm.