**Marin Women’s Commission –– Business Meeting Minutes Draft**

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**Tuesday, February 22, 2022 –– 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

**Minutes**

1. Call to Order/Establish Quorum 7:00 pm

Present: LB, CM, ML, SR, LA, AS, SS, RS and BA Absent: SC

1. Motion to approve minutes from January 25, 2022. BA/CM m/s/p
2. Motion to approve agenda for February 22, 2022 LA/BA/ m/s/p
3. SS introduced speaker, Cherie Graham, Deputy Executive Director of Extra Food
   1. Extra Food addresses food waste and food insecurities in Marin County

* 35% of food is wasted.
* Food thrown away makes up the largest component of landfill.
* Wasted food is huge driver of climate change
* One in five people in Marin suffer from food insecurities
* Extra Food is a Food recovery organization
* Food donations are picked up and delivered to a partner within 30 minutes
* Full time staff of 10 people and over 200 active volunteers and 150 non-profit partners
* Over 200 active volunteers which provide operational leverage
* With a refrigerated truck and van, they can go to larger facilities like Safeway
* Data on their non-profit partners that serve the community is kept
  + What community the non-profit partner serves?
  + What food is needed?
  + How many are served?
  + Does the partner have refrigerated storage?
* Data matched with food suppliers and a food trip is matched
* Rescued food is mostly fresh nutritious food; produce, dairy, some meat, baked goods,etc
* Impact 9K people a month
* So far diverted 5M pounds of food from the landfill.
* Community based and community building program.
* Founded 8 years ago.
* Has become part of Marin’s Emergency Response System during fires, COVID, etc
  1. Besides volunteering on a regular basis, what can individuals do?
     + Evangelize about Extra Food to possible food suppliers.
  2. What can the MWC do besides evangelize?
     + Getting the word out to this solvable problem and also the need for financial donors
  3. How can an event or group set up the donation of extra food be picked up for donation?
     + Call the Extra Food and hit Ext 1 and whoever is covering the phone will assist. But it is not 24/7. It has to be at least 10 servings to be an impactful donation.
  4. How is Extra Food funded?
     + Major source of funding is individual donors that support the mission.
     + MCF support and multi-year grants.
     + Government funding.
  5. Contact information: Cherie@extrafood.org

1. Update on Marin Women’s Hall of Fame
   1. MWC made a donation of $5K which results in a $600 Peacock Gap Golf Club gift card
   2. Motion to allocate the $600 gift card to the MTGC ML/SS m/s/p
2. MWC was offered a free screening of the documentary on Women’s soccer movement for equality. Due to not being able to watch it as a group, declined the offer. It currently can be watched on HBO MAX.
3. Commissioner Application review update
   1. District 5 applicant, Leslie Belingheri was recommended and appointed.
   2. Recommendation for District 4 has been made. Appointment is still in progress.
4. SART, Consent Decree, Recognitions, and Food insecurity updates
   1. SART Nurses will start officially on March 1st
   2. Consent Decree has had movement with a phone call with National NOW’s attorney. Figuring out if National NOW can stand in place of the defunct CA chapter. .
   3. Recognitions still being worked on. Finalizing the certificate candidates, the wording of the certificates and when and how to present the certificates.
      * Chris to research and create a list of past recognitions
5. Update on WRR grant; Renee submitted on MWC behalf. Should know within 10 days.
6. MTGC update;18 workshops, 16 exhibitors, a teen keynote speaker, ambassador artwork decorating the venue, West Marin has transportation committed and Marin City has supported participation.
7. AB 361 teleconferencing meeting adoption. Motion to adopt ML/BA m/s/p
8. Open Time for Commissioners
   1. How are we connecting with our diverse community of women?
   2. CEDAW discussions with Supervisors
      * Do we talk with the Equity Officer, Jamilah Jordan?
      * CEDAW ordinance or resolution
      * Next month put it on the agenda to discuss and possibly form a subcommittee

1. Next meeting March 29**,** 2022
2. Adjournment 8:29 pm