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HCACF Board Meeting January 14, 2019

Present: Elinor Christiansen, Shelley Cohen, Tom Gottlieb, Vince Markovchick, Robert Messman, Donna Smith, Michele Swenson, (Susan Gilbert, Office Assistant)

Absent: Eldon Van Der Wege

After a 15 - minute discussion, the meeting was called to order at 2:45 pm by co-president Tom Gottlieb.

1. **Approval of Minutes:** The Board approved the minutes from the December 2018 meeting.
2. **Financial Report:**
 - a. Robert emailed the financial reports prior to today's meeting for the Board to review.
 - b. He shared the specifics of the quarterly report and the yearly profit/loss report, and answered questions from the Board.
 - c. Director's insurance was also discussed.
3. **Communications and Marketing**
 - a. Susan shared updates regarding the website. The December statistics improved as a result of the December newsletter, an email blast and newly added articles.
 - b. The End-of-Year letter was mailed and emailed last month and there has been a positive response from supporters
 - c. CCLP provided HCACF and HCAC with a new sublease, with the same conditions as the previous sublease. We will be moving to a new office space at the end of January.
 - d. Susan shared the holiday schedule provided by CCLP, that indicates when the office will be closed, such as MLK day (January 21st).
 - e. Board members were reminded to share any events, presentations or activities which could be advertised on the website's calendar.
4. **Board Member Reports**
 - a. Elinor shared her report: Financing Universal Health Care – Healthcare Project Committee. She also mentioned that the next HCAC meeting will be on February 2nd at the Kirk from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm.
 - b. Donna detailed the Barnstorm event or Lobby Day on February 13th, which is sponsored by National Nurses United. Attendees should invite their state legislators to join them at the event. She also shared that a new Healthcare Executive Summary is soon to be released. Watch for Pramila Jayapal to make the announcement. Hearings regarding this report will be scheduled this year.
 - c. Michele talked about a Social Insurance focus and the need to simplify the wording to help us better understand the issue.
 - d. Robert recommended a book he recently read called *Radical Markets: Uprooting Capitalism and Democracy for a Just Society* by Eric Glen Weyl and Eric Posner.
 - e. Tom explained the reports he emailed to the Board prior to the meeting which resulted in a lengthy discussion. There also was mention of the great need to continue working on our curriculum.
 - f. Vince is working on new presentations and will team with Donna.
 - g. The importance for politicians to be on board with healthcare and specifically the right kind of healthcare, was talked about and emphasized. Donna, Vince, Michele and Tom will work together to bring attention to HCACF and healthcare.



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5. What is Healthcare and What is Social Insurance?

- a. Tom's outline and the articles he sent to the Board will be the focus of the next meeting.
- b. Medicaid cannot be left out of Medicare-for-All
- c. Long-term care is also a critical component of Medicare-for-All
- d. There must be a unified message from HCACF; TBD

6. New Business: Next meeting will be held on February 11, 2019 in the CCLP conference room at 2:30 pm (Education Meeting)

Meeting was adjourned at 4:05 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Susan Gilbert