

SD VOAD Meeting Minutes

Date | Time: 04/15/2021

Call Info: Meeting ID: 892 6647 7349
Passcode: 170805

Facilitator: Richard Smith

Type: Quarterly

Secretary: Kristyne Duffy

Topic: Business Meeting

Attendees:

Member Agencies:

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| Adventist Community Services | Ann Hanel, Phyllis Alexander | American Red Cross | Richard Smith, Joe Reiter |
| Better Business Bureau | - | Catholic Social Services | Jim Kinyon, Dominique Charlson |
| Child Care Aware | - | Church World Services | - |
| Civil Air Patrol | - | Diamond Willow Ministries | - |
| Feeding South Dakota | - | Headwaters Relief Organization | - |
| Helpline Center | Susie Ryks | Knights of Columbus | - |
| Latter Day Saints Charities | Tom Voorhees | Lutheran Social Services | Kristyne Duffy, Rebecca Kiesow Knudsen |
| Mennonite Disaster Services | Duane Tiezen | Nechama | - |
| Orphan Grain Train | - | Partnership with Native Americans | - |
| The Salvation Army | - | Society of St. Vincent de Paul | - |
| Team Rubicon | Rick Sego | United Methodist Committee on Relief | - |
| World Renew | - | | - |

Government and Private Partners:

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| Adler Disaster Consulting | - | FEMA | Matt Cedar, Brooks MacRoberts, |
| SDOEM | Randy Hartmann | | |

Other Attendees:

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| Christian Congregations of Jehovah's Witness | Ted Alanko, Luke F. | Great Plains Tribal Leader | Annie Lloyd |
| SD Community Foundation | Ginger Niemann | Save the Children | Aren Koenig |

Meeting began: 11 AM CT/ 10 AM MT

1. Business Meeting

a. Approval of minutes

b. State of VOAD

- Executive team worked on some language changes in the bylaws to better reflect current situation.
- Original thought was that VOAD would hire an Executive Director- changed language to say President.
- Added a new category of Partner member – Community Partner and added better descriptions of each category and member responsibilities
- Want to engage as many groups as possible
- VOAD is a responsibility and can't be part of the conversation if don't participate
- Is there a need to reconsider the due amounts?
- **Motion by Kristyne D., seconded by Tom V. to approve changes and bring dues topic back to Exec Team - approved**

c. Treasurer's Report

Current balance is \$30,141.80

- – see attached
- Only 2 members haven't paid dues
 - Adler Consulting
 - Team Rubicon
- Closed out UPS grant. Funds distributed to 3 groups
 - Wambli Ska
 - Diamond Willow Ministries
 - Tree of Life Ministries
- Looking for volunteer to be for Treasurer

2. New Business

a. National VOAD update

- Ex. Director Greg Forrester is no longer with NVOAD
 - Looking for a new Executive Director
 - Hired consulting group to review NVOAD
- National VOAD conference is May 18th, 2021
 - Member meeting is open to 2 delegates from each state
 - Richard & Kristyne
 - 3 day conference – urge those interested to attend (virtual)
 - Typically use VOAD funding to allow a member to attend
- **Proposal to use \$300 to allow 3 Exec Team members to attend.**
 - **Motion by Phyllis A., Seconded by Tom V. - approved**

b. Website Update

- Work continues on the website
- Still need logos from:

- Red Cross
- Church World Service
- Diamond Willow Ministries
- Feeding SD
- Headwaters Relief Organization
- Mennonite Disaster Service
- Nechama
- Orphan Grain Train
- Partnerships with Native Americans
- The Salvation Army
- Society of St. Vincent de Paul
- Team Rubicon
- UMCOR
- World Renew
- Better Business Bureau Inc.
- Adler Disaster Consulting
- **Provide your agency's logo and correct website address to Kristyne**
 - Logo should be in JPEG or PNG form.
- Need for the ability to collect donations via the website
 - Looking into options
- b. Membership**
 - New member application
 - Inter-Lakes Community Action Plan (ICAP)
 - Lake Area Recovery Network LTRG is now part of ICAP
 - **Motion by Duane T., seconded by Phyllis A. – approved**
 - Focus is on recruiting and engaging groups to VOAD; continue to invite those as appropriate
- b. Schroeder Fire review**
 - 500 homes evacuated; 1 destroyed and some outbuildings; burned 2,000 acres
 - No long term needs yet
 - Good response by Red Cross, Salvation Army and Helpline
 - Lead to an effort to create a COAD in Rapid City to better serve the community
 - Also efforts to engage Emergency Managers in West River so they know how to reach out
 - Perkins fire – burned 12,000 acres
 - Jones Fire – burned 9900 acres
- c. SD OEM update**
 - COVID 19 – several counties still have Substantial Community Spread – not out of the woods yet
 - Hospital capacity is at 48%
 - 50% of population have at least 1 dose
 - Drought situation – all counties have at least some level of drought; forecast is for less precipitation than normal
 - Wildland fires are a major concern – 53 fires so far this year
 - Next week is Severe Weather Week is next week April 19th – April 24th

b. FEMA

- Launched a new Funeral Assistance Program for COVID related deaths

3. Action Items

- **Send Logo and website to Kristyne**

Meeting Adjourned at 12:04 PM CT/ 11:04 AM MT.