

Minutes: Niños Board Meeting (via Zoom) February 7, 2021

- Meeting convened 12 EST
- Members present Tom Lindblom, Bob Albright, Tom Culligan, Mark Hinkie, Steve Leighton, Paul Sheehan, Claudia Shea, Sue Dehart, Mike Gallager, Margaret Diglio, Ruth Johnson (joined the meeting later)
- Old Business – M. Diglio read the minutes from December 14 Board Meeting. Steve motioned to accept. Minutes were approved.
- Financials – Bob reported on financial status of Scholarship Funds.
- Balance Sheet and P&L presented by Tom Culligan – Financials were approved
- Scholarships – Claudia reported

There will be 15 high school student graduates this year. As of now there are 5 that would qualify for scholarships but it is too early for the students to finalize their intentions & choices for college so it will be several months before there are any applicants.

We will have 6 scholarships available

Student & Sponsor Statistics – Bob reported there are currently 160 students in program. Numbers declining due to fewer sponsors. Of the 160, 84 are in university (José spends an enormous amount of time with the university students)

- Newsletter (Tom) – target date late Feb or early March; pictures, emails, etc. send to Tom for inclusion.

Dany Perez will create a video of English Students

- Fall Fund Raiser – raised \$22K - \$23K great response will help offset no Benefit dinner this year.
- New Business – Slate of Officers – Ruth Johnson (3 year term), Margaret Diglio (3 year term), Mike Gallager (1 year term). Current Board Officers remain in their positions
- COVID RELIEF – currently \$2K in account. Start another fund appeal.

Bob will send out the original Covid Relief letter to Board Members with updates of the current situation in Zihua.

- Discussed the health status of José and how the Board can intervene with assistance
- Next Board Meeting March 5, 2021 12 PM EST
- Meeting concluded 1:05 PM EST