



RESULTS and RESULTS Educational Fund Boards of Directors Meeting

Minutes of the November 14, 2023 meeting

Meeting held virtually on Zoom.

Attending: Kul Gautam (Chair); Jan Twombly (Treasurer); Pankaj Agarwal (Secretary); S. Ashish Bali; Arron Carillo Joanne Carter (*ex officio*); Sam Daley-Harris; Nikki Eberhardt; Allison Gallaher; Roger Hudson; Scott Leckman; Ernie Loevinsohn; Lynne Patalano

Staff: Joanne Carter, Executive Director; Mark Butler, CFO/COO; Barb Weber, Vice President for Philanthropy; Jesse Marsden, Chief of Staff

Meeting Called to Order by the Chair at 4:30pm.

Welcome & opening business: Chair opened the meeting noting the challenging global context as well as in the U.S.. Remarked on areas of advancement despite these challenges and thanked staff and volunteers for their work to achieve the advancements towards our mission.

Consent Agenda: Chair presented the consent agenda noting its contents including:

- Meeting Agenda
- Approve Minutes for Board Meeting May 20-21, 2023
- Approve EC Minutes for July 27, 2023

Motion to approve consent agenda items by Ernie Loevinsohn, Second by Lynne Patalano. Motion passed.

Executive Director's Report: Joanne Carter, Executive Director, presented on the accomplishments, recent changes, status of fundraising for the organization followed by discussion. Some highlights included:

- RESULTS volunteers have led the way in forging bipartisan support for a potential deal that extends more of the full Child Tax Credit benefit to the lowest income working families.
- Shared updates on a very busy fall full of key advocacy moments from the UN General Assembly and High-Level Meeting on TB to the World Bank Annual Meetings in Marrakech.
- Announced the start of the new Director of US Poverty Policy, Tashon Thomas.

Board Refresh and Recruitment: Kul Gautam, Chair, briefed the board on progress made to recruit new potential board members in alignment with the recommendations adopted by the Executive Committee in its meeting of Feb 1, 2023. Updates covered current invitations out to candidates, recent engagement with candidates being engaged and explored, as well as a decision to invite several current candidates to speak at a board meeting or Executive Committee meeting.

Discussion also included noting status of staff soliciting review and feedback from RESULTS attorneys on its governing documents. Once back from the attorneys, Jesse Marsden will forward them on to Scott and support the Governance & Board Development Committee to review ahead of the next board meeting.

Departmental Report: Development

Barb Weber, VP for Philanthropy, presented updates on work of the Development Team including current and near term proposals or renewal solicitations along with recent engagement with prospective funding partners.

Committee Reports:

Chairs of Board Committees updated on recent efforts including the following highlights:

- *Governance & Board Development (GBDC)* issued a call for new members to consider joining the committee, hoping to recruit 2 considering upcoming members who will rotate off the Board in early 2024.

- *Grassroots Directors Committee (GRDC)* noted their ongoing monthly meetings were taking place and topics included clarifying the role of Grassroots Directors on the board. The committee also discussed onboarding new members and setting the next townhall for December and efforts to promote and emphasize volunteer interactions and participation during the session.
- *Philanthropy Committee (PC)* noted its work to recruit new committee members and shared updates on the Board Giving Campaign and its goals.
- *Finance Committee (FC)* updated on its progress developing the FY24 organizational expense budget. It was noted that because the board approves an 18 month expense, we have operating budget through end of March 2024. FY23 actuals were noted as winding up very close to on budget.

Reclaiming Our Democracy – January 2024 Release.

Sam Daley-Harris shared updates on his work to develop the 20th anniversary edition of his book, set to be released in January 2024, noting a number of important and high profile media promotions and a long list of journalists who have agreed to write book reviews. It was noted with gratitude that all proceeds of the book are being donated to RESULTS.

Closing Business: Chair provided a recap of the meeting over the two sessions. Action items for Board and for staff were noted.

Board meeting adjourned at approximately 6:30pm.