



## October/November 2020 IYAUM Board of Directors' Meeting MINUTES

Date/Time October 31, 2020 // 4:00pm

Place: Zoom

- **Call to Order/Quorum:** The meeting was called to order at 4:00pm. Present: Luanne Laurents, Nancy Marcy, Nancy Footner, Mary Jo Nissen, Mona McNeely, Shannyn Joy Potter. A quorum was established for the meeting.
- **Review of Agenda** (no changes proposed).
- **Consensus Items:** September minutes still need to be finalized as of this meeting.  
Approved by all by email 11/10/20.
  - **Treasurer report** (Julie): \$16,752.00 Current bank account
  - **Membership** (Mary Jo) Currently 142 members; one dual membership. Wrote Pam Starcher, Jennie Williford, Kirsten Brooks inviting them to join next year, or become a dual member. DEIJ survey needs to be completed by all.  
Nancy F requests that Susan ask IYNAUS to consider requiring members join in their region.
  - **President's report** (Nancy M) on recent meeting with Emmet Robertson, (Rubric Legal services) seeking clarification regarding our recent gifts. See attachment to September minutes for lawyer's summary. Julie will prepare a 990 return for 2020 as lawyer recommended.
  - **Scholarship Committees** will be combined. Mona to chair for the rest of her term and will schedule next meeting. She will present a first draft of with general overview (for websites) and specific applications for workshops, grants, emergency grants. Do we want to give scholarship to become a member? \$1000 budgeted for scholarships for 2020.  
Currently \$450 distributed. Discussion of confidentiality. Discussion of how to publicize when scholarship given, to encourage future applicants.
  - **Board Candidates** Caroline Anne Kemen, Bethany Valentini, Irene Alderon, Pat Hardy, Katherine Woods, Susan Johnson, Nancy Marcy will run again. Four seats open. Three seats must be held by teachers. Discussion whether to expand the Board position. A *Meet and Greet* November 14, 1pm, for potential candidates will be scheduled to get acquainted with the current members, so they can become familiar with Board responsibilities; discuss participating as a committee member. Board will meet afterwards to follow up. Seeking a 1year commitment for committee members and 3 years for board members. Board will select a slate that membership will vote for/against.
  - **Mary & Eddy workshop 11/7-8** Nancy/Luanne/Shannyn will administer.
  - **Teachers' open discussion meeting # 2** to be scheduled for early Winter 2021

## Saturday November 14<sup>th</sup>

10am (Zoom)

**Meet and Greet with prospective Board members:** Bethany Valentini, Irene Alderon, Pat Hardy, Katherine Woods, Susan Johnson, Carol Ann Kemen was ill.

**Board members in attendance:** Nancy Marcy, Nancy Footner, Shannyn Joy Potter, Julie Sybrant, Mary Jo Nissen, Luanne Laurents, Mona McNeely

- Introduction of current Board members and their roles and responsibilities.
- Introduction of candidates/ their Iyengar Yoga background, and why they wish to serve.



- Clarification of Board makeup (demographics, CIYT requirement)
- Clarification of elections process.
- Distinction clarified between serving as a board member vs committee member
  
- Discussion of past achievements and proposed initiatives for future (outreach/social justice).
- Clarification of skills needed/helpful.

End of discussion with candidates. Pat and Irene stated they would be happy to serve as committee members.

- Candidates departed from meeting.

#### Further Discussion:

- Current Board members came to consensus on slate: Bethany Valentini, Katherine Woods, Nancy Marcy, Susan Johnson
- Next steps: Nancy M will contact candidates. Luanne will draft election letter to members. Bios and letters of commitment to be collected and posted on website.
- Dates: Election to take place between November 26 and December 13.
- Results to be announced during member meeting Yoga Day December 13.

End of meeting.

#### **Addendum 11/23/20**

Nancy Footner submitted a motion that that IYAUM offer need-based scholarships to students who wish to attend workshops offered by member teachers and studios in our region. The applicant would need to commit to attend the full workshop and the workshop would have to meet all the standards predetermined by IYAUM.

12/2/20 Motion Passed (5 approve 1 opposed).