

8-9-2017 4 pm

In attendance: Renee Snodgrass, James Masters, Barb Cressy

Followed Agenda

Discussed the online group, our vision and mission. We decided not to have a lawyer help with the 501c3 paperwork.

James will check with Miranda to see if the Board of directors can have a range from 4-6.

Meetings biweekly on Saturdays from 8:30 am -9:30 am August 19th, September 2nd, 16th, and 30th (Susan Cottrell will be here so not sure on that one)

Next meeting agenda, roll call, and vote for board.

Article 4 section 2 Qualifications, (draft wording), chatted about background checks for officers, and/or volunteers. We decided that when volunteers are working with youth it will be our policy to have background checks done. It will be policy not in the bylaws.

No one with a record of violent, sexual or drug dealing crimes will be able to volunteer with our organization.

The articles were accepted we are now a Corporation (West Shore Pride)

The tax exempt status may cost between 400-600.

We will use Google Docs for saving/sharing records.

Group/Page on FB what do we desire, we need the group for connecting with people. The page will be public to advertise who we are. Barb will contact Beth to have Ludpride under the West Shore Pride group. Will need to apply for Domain names westshorepride.org, and westshorepride.com Use Wordpress for the website?

Goals: How long for the nonprofit status, how much will it cost? Times, details, and activities need to be decided so we can contact Ludington to get on their event calendar for 2018. We need to know the start and end time, we will have speakers, music, and performers. June 10th 2018. Possibly have an adult night with drag queens the night before, contact Ariel for that. What do we want rally, parade, booths.

Fee for booths with a refundable deposit, and the requirement to stay the entire time. Do we charge a fee for non profit groups? Barb will ask Sara what she thinks.

Renee will contact the city and check on set ups/electricity

Need to consider fundraising and/or grants.

We need to brainstorm Business Sponsorships.

James will check with contacts in Muskegon for potential board members.

Renee will contact the city, update the bylaws, and check on the status of the 501c3 status