Humanities Montana

Board of Directors

Special Meeting of the Board

November 14, 2022

Zoom; 5:00 p.m.

**Present:** Carla Homstad (board chair); David Dietrich (vice chair); Caroline Bitz; Glory Blue Earth; Carol Bradley; Jeremy Carl; Jennifer Corning; Jamie Doggett; Jeanette Fregulia; Debbie Garland; Lynda Grande; Ashby Kinch; Lathie Poole; Laura Mitchell Ross; Beth Sullivan

**Absent:** April Charlo; Ramey Growing Thunder; Eric Sanders; Francine Spang-Willis

**Staff:** Randi Tanglen

As they arrived to the Zoom meeting, board members introduced themselves to Jeremy Carl, new governor’s appointee to the Humanities Montana board of directors.

Carla Homstad called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m. and offered the land acknowledgement.

Carla explained that the purpose of the meeting was to vote on the members of the executive director search committee. David Dietrich, Jamie Doggett, Jeanette Fregulia, Lynda Grande, and Beth Sullivan have volunteered to serve on the search committee. Carla asked for a motion.

**Beth Sullivan made the motion, and Jamie Doggett provided the second.**

**Motion to approve the members of the executive director search committee: David Dietrich, Jamie Doggett, Jeanette Fregulia, Lynda Grande, and Beth Sullivan.**

The board voted by Zoom poll. The motion passed unanimously.

The committee will meet soon and select a chair. Semi-finalists will be interviewed on Zoom, and finalists will meet with the board, search committee, and staff in Missoula in late February or early March. Jeremy Carl asked about the Executive Director position criteria. David Dietrich said during the course of the process, its final candidates resumes would be transparent and all board members would have access to the search information, while protecting applicant confidentiality. Jeanette Fregulia asked about issues of confidentiality regarding applications. Beth Sullivan clarified that the process itself, including the job criteria, would be transparent, but that all records regarding applicants would be confidential until the finalists are announced to the board.

Carla announced that in late October Eric Sanders tendered his board resignation, effective at the end of the year. Carla has asked Eric to remain on the board through the February board meeting to provide instruction to a new finance and audit committee chair. Eric is currently caring for his uncle and has not provided a response yet.

Carla offered her thanks to Randi Tanglen for her 2 ½ years of service to Humanities Montana. Other board members expressed their thanks and Randi conveyed her gratitude to the board for the opportunity to serve the humanities in Montana. She is currently working with the staff and interim executive director, Kim Anderson, to ensure a smooth transition.

The meeting adjourned at 5:26 p.m.