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| Board Members:  Lisa O’Brien *President*  Jennifer Murphy  Julie McFarland  Sarah Keller *Secretary* | Voting Members:  Lisa O’Brien *President*  Jennifer Murphy  Julie McFarland  Sarah McDougald *Secretary*  Elizabeth Carrus | Voting Members Absent:  Jennifer Murphy | Date: 7/19/2021  Time: 1:00pm CST  Location: 414 Towne Ct. Alvin, TX 77511 |

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| **ITEM** | **DISCUSSION** | **RECOMMENDATION** |
| Call to order: 1:05pm |  | None |
| Prayer by Julie |  | None |
| Review of minutes | Reviewed by Sarah | Add Gracie Carrus to potential Nov 2021 mission team list. Lisa motioned to approve minutes from 7/8 as corrected. Julie seconded. |
| OLD BUSINESS: |  |  |
| Paydes | Paydes financial support: this meeting was scheduled to discuss the decision previously made- to halt Paydes financial support for school and housing because it is outside of the WTH mission of healthcare. Lisa has since called Michelle Jones and left her a voicemail explaining the Board’s decision. | Reviewed. See below for continued discussion. |
| Rose Marie Francios | Rose financial support: Elizabeth brought to Lisa’s attention Rose, who is anemic. Lisa asked the Board for funds via a text message 7/10/21. Julie motioned that WTH pay Paydes $40 plus fees to pick up medications for Rose for her anemia. Elizabeth seconded. | Reviewed. |
| NEW BUSINESS: |  |  |
| Financials | Bank balance: $29,438.04 | Reviewed |
| Paydes | Revisit financial support: Board decided to revisit conversation of Paydes financial support through WTH to ensure decision from previous meeting was the best decision for the foundation. As a 501C3, WTH has expectations to uphold with the federal government and the Board feels that it’s status is being used as financial support instead of what the foundation was originally created for.   1. School: WTH paid for first two semesters, but Michelle Jones has since taken over as of the last semester and now provides WTH with Paydes’ school funds. Michelle has verbally stated to Lisa that she will continue to pay for Paydes school. Board wants to see Paydes succeed, however this effort is outside of WTH’s mission statement. Previously, WTH paid for Paydes English school and WTH’s clinics saw a direct benefit. 2. Housing: Michelle Jones provides Paydes’ housing money for WTH to send. Lisa has reminded the Board that Paydes has yet to send a housing receipt for his renewed lease from March of this year. Board understands that this may be difficult, however this is not an impossible task. Lisa also reminded the Board that Paydes no longer lives in Cite Soleil and is no longer part of that community, so WTH might use different people to assist in setting up clinics. 3. Food: Lisa sends Paydes $100 for food privately, so the Board cannot interfere with this effort.   Prevention: Elizabeth brought attention to Board- what measures can WTH establish to ensure other situations such as the above with Paydes do not happen again? Also, how does WTH prevent an individual similar to Michelle Jones from funneling funds through the foundation to support an effort outside of WTH’s mission? Lisa stated that Dr. Richards in Cite Soleil had his education paid for by another organization and in return, he will work for the foundation for two years. Board agrees documentation is needed to identify guidelines to prevent another instance such as Paydes/Michelle Jones do not occur again. | Sarah motioned for WTH to stop using Michelle Jones’ funds to send Paydes for school and housing immediately. Julie seconded. Lisa will reconnect with Michelle Jones once more to reiterate Board’s decision. Lisa will also communicate this decision to Paydes.  Julie and Sarah volunteered to draft guidelines for donors and those receiving funds. Julie and Sarah will review bylaws and other documents to add these guidelines into WTH’s process. |
| Rose Marie Francios | Financial funds for Larose: Elizabeth has a bible study with a few of Paydes’ girl friends, Rose Marie Francios being one of them. Previously, the Board motioned to send $40 on 7/10/21 because Lisa believed she was anemic. After conversation with Rose and reviewing her documents, Lisa discovered she was neither anemic nor diabetic. Rose, 36 years old, suffers from fibroids in her uterus, which causes heavy and very painful menstrual cramps. Her doctor in Haiti also believes she has ringworm on her head and bad acne on her face. Lisa has extensively researched the medications and their costs Rose’s doctor in Haiti has recommended and brought in Teah and other medical professionals for their opinion. Lisa sent the Board a medications list, which totaled $74.49, including beauty creams that were requested. Total will be approximately $100 with transfer fees. Lisa and Teah are concerned about one of the medications, codeine, which contains a narcotic. Rose ensured Lisa and Teah that she only takes this medication once or twice a month when her menstrual cramps are the worst. Lisa communicated with Rose the dangers of addiction and the symptoms of coming off an addiction. Rose also expressed to Lisa and Teah that she wants children. Board is in agreement that Rose deserves the financial assistance. Lisa also stated that this would be a continuous expense to WTH and a possible surgery in the future. Julie made a motion. Sarah then expressed a concern that if WTH simply gives the money for the medications, another situation of dependency, similar to Paydes, would be created. Lisa stated that translators in the clinics make $20/day and recommended five (5) volunteer days for Rose to work in the clinic to equal the $100 WTH would send. Sarah recommended WTH still sends the money needed, but in exchange Rose will assist WTH with volunteer work as a translator for our next mission trip. Sarah edited the previous motion. | Julie motioned to send Paydes $100 for Rose’s medications. Elizabeth seconded.  After further discussion, Sarah edited the above motion. Sarah motioned to send Paydes $100 for Rose’s medications in exchange for five (5) days of volunteer work as a translator with our clinics. Julie seconded. |
| Mission Trip | Elizabeth Project: Elizabeth has expressed interest to Board to develop a evangelism program for small children and is going to request donations from her church, Fellowship Bible Church in Little Rock AR, to support this program.  Teah Bland: the Daisy Foundation, a UTMB scholarship fund, was previously awarded to Teah and she is working with Lisa to obtain required documentation to qualify once again for the scholarship. Teah plans to use the awarded funds for the Nov 2021 mission trip. | Reviewed.  Reviewed. |
| Marketing | Website: Sarah presented the work thus far with Britt on developing the new WTH website.  T-shirts: Lisa is working on designing small medical logos for a t-shirt design she sent via text to assist in the clinics. Lisa will send logos and ideas to the Social Outreach Committee to then present to Board for approval. | Sarah to follow up with Britt regarding the website outline edits, as there has been no response.  Reviewed. |
| ANNOUNCMENTS |  |  |
| None. |  |  |
| NEXT MEETING |  |  |
| TBD |  |  |
| AJOURNMENT |  |  |
| Closed at 2:10pm |  |  |

Minutes recorded by Sarah McDougald