Board Meeting #32

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Attendees	
Maximilian: (President) Garrett: (Vice President) Karina: (Secretary) William: (Treasurer) Kenneth: (Director of Curriculum) Crystal: (Director of Publicity)	Tong Hui: (Board Member) Victoria: (CFC) Aarushi: (TFA) Aarushi: (MFA) Ben: (Director of Recruitment)

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Absentees:

1. **Edmund:** (Board Member)

Additional Notes:

- 1. Danielle Trinh (upcoming Secretary) attended the meeting
- 2. In regards to the part 1 of the Phone Issue (topic #2), refer to board meeting notes (#31) 2020 December Board Meeting (6 December 2020)
- 3. It is the last board meeting for the following members: Tonghui, Edmund, and Karina
- 4. Because the fiscal year has been moved to the end of the actual year vs. end of the school year, the last fiscal year only lasted 6 months

Updates

- 1. Max
 - a. Should we continue to use PeachJar?
 - i. While we are not making as much money as we are spending on it, we are getting exposure for students and volunteers through it
 - ii. Suggestion: most of the schools we are teaching are low income and therefore do not receive a lot of donations so PeachJar may not work the best. There are cheaper ways to advertise the organization.
 - 1. There is no comparable company to PeachJar for a lower price. If we continue to use PeachJar, we need to do more data analysis on the schools we are currently working with and make better decisions as to how to target PeachJar
 - iii. Suggestion: survey through the enrollment form to get more information
 - iv. Suggestion: reach out to the PTA
 - b. Creating a board video board members will need to submit their scripts
 - c. Planning a meeting to discuss use of interns in the organization

2. Garrett

- a. Hackathon
 - i. New version of the website
 - ii. Changed the date to early April
 - iii. Will start contacting sponsors
- 3. William
 - a. Shirts are out (Boba version)
- 4. Kenneth
 - a. Curriculum revision and training
 - b. Meeting with groups to make training for winter session
 - c. Creating curriculum for Spring session
 - i. Considering reducing the curriculum available to be able to improve the other curriculum
- 5. Victoria
 - a. CFC got the banking system set up
 - b. Got more volunteers to expand training and classes
- 6. Amari
 - a. Want to get information out by the end of the year to try and get students as a test launch
 - i. Gone relatively well
 - 1. A problem with people not showing up
 - b. Might use TutorBook to schedule meetings
 - c. Program will officially start in January
- 7. Aarushi
 - a. Mentoring for all gotten out 2 positions to review the curriculum
 - b. Blog posts and videos for possible workshops
 - c. Wanting to find regional ambassadors position
 - d. Coordination side
 - i. Currently we have 616 finalized students
 - 1. Majority are low income
 - ii. 404 students from direct enrollment
- 8. Ben
 - a. Working with class coordination team to fix issues found in the volunteer database
- 9. Crystal
 - a. Website feedback session got critiques in design and figured out the logo
 - b. Website is 80 90% done
 - c. Currently creating outfits for Toby
 - d. Someone will be presenting later about outreach to Canada
 - e. Press package is ready and will be presented later

Rediscussion of Phone Issue

- 1. A need for greater communication email is not the best solution, especially for kids
- 2. No plans to purchase phone related items
 - a. Going to try TutorBook first and see if it works better with scheduling with kids

Outreach to Canada - Guest: Sam Hosseini-Moghaddam

- 1. Want to start out in Ontario and Toronto
 - a. Onterio wants to set up a computer science program
 - b. There are not many programs for low income students in Canada

- 2. Issue: American system is different than the Canadian system
 - a. Need to clear the legal issues by the end of February
- 3. Looking to do outreach by fall and cold email schools
 - a. Elementary schools strictly online classes
 - b. Once there are more volunteers in Canada, we can expand to more classes (ex: high school students)
- 4. Question: Is this the best time to tackle this project? We currently have a lot of expansion we are dealing with
 - a. Incorporation may not an issue but requires more research
 - b. Next big step of expansion and outreach for Robotics for All
 - c. Due to Covid-19, people may be more accepting of online classes

Float Idea of Advisory Committee

- 1. Advisory Board people in the industry (nonprofits and business professionals) that we can have meetings with for big decisions
 - a. No decision making power, but if we need advice for a topic, we would be able to reach out to them
- 2. Will discuss more in another meeting

2021 Budget Discussion

- 1. We did not target grants as much this time because we did not need to purchase large amounts of physical groups
- 2. Private monetary donations completed the goal in 6 months
- 3. Have not separated the pure donations and money received from classes
- 4. Focusing more on grants, created some budget for equipment purchases--for if we go back to in-person classes, bank and payment fees might need to increased, as well as an increase for volunteer services because of background check fees, TFA and MFA need to submit their budgets, digital technology might decrease if we are able to host in-person classes
- 5. Voting

a. Agree: 10b. Disagree: 0c. Abstain: 1d. Absent: 1

Discuss Board Member "Retreat"

- 1. Should we split up the goals vs. fun activities?
 - a. Agree: 6b. Disagree: 2c. Abstain: 4d. Absent: 1
- 2. Will most likely be scheduled for the first couple weeks of January

Total time taken: 58 minutes

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