

John M Scott Health Commission
February 26, 2020
Illinois Prairie Community Foundation

Attendance: Dr. Scott Hamilton, Angie McLaughlin, Holly Ambuehl, Deb Skillrud, Dr. Colton Sylvester, Sue Grant

Staff Administrator: Jennifer Toney

Regrets: Dr. John Couillard, Dr. James Swanson, Brandi Sweeney, Deb Halperin

Absent: Bernie Wrezinski

Holly Ambuehl convened the meeting at 5:36.

Dr. Sylvester moved to approve the Consent agenda as presented (January minutes and January Staff Administrator's invoice). Angie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Staff Administrator's Report

Jennifer reported that the items presented to the Trustees on January 27th passed. She will forward the FY18 and FY19 Court reports to the Trust attorney and Guardian Ad Litem by March 1st. Once a court date is determined, she will notify the Commission. The version of the By-Law changes submitted/approved by Council was not correct. The document will need to be cleaned up and resubmitted for approval. Per the motion approved at the January meeting, Brandi Sweeney approved an additional \$30,000 be added to the "Miscellaneous Other Costs" line item in the FY21 budget. Jennifer requested the increase with the Finance department for inclusion with the final FY21 budget presented to the Trustees in March. The ISU Fellow application was submitted on February 10th. Fellow resumes were reviewed and a request was made for interviews with four fellows. If those fellows also choose the JMS Commission, interviews will be conducted in late March and final matches will be announced in late April.

Grants Committee

Marcfirst has submitted a request to change the scope of work for the FY20/FY21 grant cycles from a programmatic focus to a capital project. The scope of work funded included programming provided through SPICE at the Marcfirst building. SPICE is moving to the building directly north of Advocate BroMenn (1302 Franklin Ave). The change request would allow JMS funds to be spent for capital improvements on the new space. After discussion, the Grants Committee determined that the request should not be granted at this time for the following reasons:

- Renovations would be completed on a building owned by Advocate BroMenn, not Marcfirst;
- The original proposal was for a program grant and this was for a capital grant. In the future the Commission will clarify that grants cannot switch between these two during a grant period.

Holly requested a motion to approve the Grants Committee's decision and move forward with the response letter to Marcfirst. Deb S. made a motion to approve. Dr. Sylvester seconded. Motion carried. The response letter will ask for a response regarding the viability of implementing the original scope of work. If Marcfirst is unable to fulfill the terms of the original agreement, funds will be returned and they

will reapply after the move to the new facility. The Grants Committee suggested that future RFPs may include two options for Category II grants – Capital and Programmatic.

Holly mentioned she had followed-up with Chestnut Health Systems re: the request for an oral health grant. Based on the discussion at the January meeting, the Commission is not ready to review additional requests at this time.

Membership

Holly asked all Commissioners to review an attendance tracker for accuracy. The By-Laws do not specify a mandatory number of meetings attended but all are encouraged to make as many meetings as possible. All members were asked to provide at least one name for potential Commission members. There are four Commissioners whose term expires on April 30th. Brandi Sweeney has indicated won't renew her term, leaving a Finance position open.

Holly expressed concerns over both elected officials and employees/paid administrators of organizations receiving a John M Scott Health Care grant serving as commission members and opened the topic for discussion. No action was taken. Angie stated a concern about excluding elected officials such as school board members from the Commission through a blanket policy excluding all elected officials. Holly asked all Commissioners to adhere to the existing nominating process, which specifies that the executive committee serves as the nominating committee, and that the full Commission should approve nominations before sending nominations to the Trustee. Holly expressed concern about a Commissioner approaching Trustees on an individual basis. A majority of Commissioners present agreed that Holly's concerns did not require changes to the by-laws. Both Dr. Hamilton and Dr. Sylvester suggested creating a recusal policy that would apply to all Commissioners with a real or perceived conflict. Commissioners agreed to manage Holly's concerns through 1) a conflict disclosure policy and 2) the nominating process outlined in the current by-laws. Holly asked Jennifer to help ensure that conflicts are disclosed during the normal nominating process in a fashion that mirrors what the City of Bloomington does for other boards and commissions.

Dr. Hamilton moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 pm. Angie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Submitted by: Jennifer Toney, Staff Administrator