Restore Georgia Board Meeting via ZOOM 12/14/2020 - 7PM

PRESENT: Brendan Spaar, Director; Bill Paul, Managing Director; Andy Stein, Treasurer; Beverly Cochran, Secretary; Waleisah Wilson, Member at Large

MEMBERS PRESENT ON BOD ZOOM MEETNG: Julian Hutcheson

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: Brendan Spaar

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Approval of November Meeting Minutes: Motion to adopt by Bill Paul, seconded by Brendan Spaar; motion carried.
- B. Updates Re: Cobb County Letter: A few calls still coming in; waiting to see how things go with the newly elected Sheriff. Brendan will speak with him hopefully in January to introduce himself and Restore GA.
- C. Status of 501 (C)(3) filing: We now have the IRS determination letter and are compliant. Currently the organization can spend no more than 20% of time on lobbying, but there is a form to exempt us from that to spend no more than 20% of our budget on lobbying. Brendan will file paperwork to change time to money status.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- D. Approval of any expenses: Andy stated that due to our 501 © (3) status PayPal has lowered our rate from 2.9 to 2.2. Paperwork submitted to batch donations for no fee for 3 month periods.
- E. Monthly report: 10/1 12/31 donation on line \$55 (will break up monthly) \$1,982.19 is current bank balance with \$30 in PayPal to be transferred.

NEW BUSINESS:

- F. Regional/National Update Brendan stated that the first Nominating Committee met 12/13 and will be meeting monthly. National will be sending any new member info for GA to us monthly and we will update National of membership we receive.
- G. <u>SORRB Update</u> Bill reported that Julian Hutcheson represented Restore GA at the last meeting. There will be formalized minutes available for each month from SORRB. Julian reported that they are tracking bills and was a good experience.
- H. Lifetime Registration: GA Justice Project will be watching this closely.
- I. <u>NARSOL Police Registry Response Group Update</u> Beverly will contact Cindy Prizo for an update for next meeting. Questions for Cindy—when will the letter be ready and can we sign on as an organization and personally.
- J. <u>Never Drive Alone Restriction Update</u> Brendan stated that we may possibly get a letter from the GA Justice Project regarding this stipulation.
- K. <u>Constituent Services Update</u> Bill Paul reported that Julian will be assisting him in Region 2, and that Julian's help is much appreciated.
- L. <u>ATSA Membership</u> Bill Paul reported that we are now a member on a national level; waiting until January to join for Georgia. NARSOL is also a member.
- M. <u>Fearless Groups</u> Brendan stated that Restore GA will be starting groups in GA statewide. These groups work with family and persons impacted by the registry and will meet each month (probably via Zoom due to Covid). We have a volunteer to lead these groups: Tara

Gazzuolo, CPS-MH, FPM, WHWC. She works as a Forensic Peer Mentor at Lee Arrendale State Prison for Women and is a member of the GA Mental Health Consumer Network. There is such a need for these groups and thanks to Tara for volunteering.

N. Marketing

- Social Media handle will be GA Registry Reform.
- Approval for order of 500 generic business cards at a cost of \$43.98. The BOD can
 use to hand out (and attach to the trifold brochure from NARSOL). Bill made a
 motion to approve, seconded by Beverly; motion carried unanimously.
- O. Results of call with NCRSOL RE: Attorneys and Litigation Brendan stated that North Carolina RSOL is suing and winning cases with Atty. Paul Dubling. We are actively looking for an attorney that is hungry and will litigate on a contingency basis. Atty. Dubling stated that he would train them. The suits in Georgia are only interested in one at a time, not a group to help all.
- P. Restore Georgia email addresses and Share Drive Announcement Brendan stated that Restore GA is eligible for IT grants with the 501 © (3). Andy has allowed us the use of his share drive. There will be training for Fearless leaders, Regions' leaders, and the BOD when we get it.

ANY ADDITIONAL NEW BUSINESS

Q. Where to Find Requirements for Registrants in Each County: Waleisah asked the question as to where she could find the different requirements for each county. Brendan added this to the agenda. He stated that the "Registry" is the "Registry" for each county, but some follow more strictly than others. We will collect stories and categorize, but not to be for public information. Brendan also thanked Waleisah for sending out the emails regarding employment information that could be passed along to the membership.

NEXT MEETING DATE: January 11, 2021 7:00 PM

ADJOURNED with no further business