# **September 2020 Sail2Change Board Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, 09.09.2020

# **Board & Staff Next Steps**

## Agenda:

- Introduction of Billy van der Wal (15 minutes), possible board member
- Monthly Financial Report (10 minutes)
- August Minutes Approval (5 minutes)
- Needs Assessment: (40 Minutes)
- Strategic Planning (10 Minutes)
- DEI Advisor Kavita (5 Minutes)
- Insurance (5 Minutes)

## **Administrative and Outreach Staff Duties:**

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- DIETER:
  - o Set up a time for the DEIDL loan conversation with Alex
- KATIE:
  - Post available positions to recommended sites
  - Create an Advisory Board section for website
    - Mitchell Burke, David Welch, De Henderson, Darroh Cahren,
    - DEI committee: Dezi, Brian, Ali

#### **Tabled Discussions**

None

#### **Board Member Tasks**

- Read the Report of Needs Assessment
- Approve August Board Meeting Minutes

Call Meeting to Order	The meeting was called to order at <b>6:38 pm</b> .
	<b>Dieter</b> made a motion to call the meeting to order at <b>6:38pm</b>
<b>Location:</b>	Alex Seconded the motion
ZOOM ID	Yes: All
503-730-6453	No: None
	Abstain: None
	Board Attendance:
	Present:
	Dieter Waiblinger
	Katie Allen
	Alex Earl,
	Lisanne Butterfield
	Josh Cyphers
	Guest Attendance:
	Ashley Barnes, Staff;

- Michelle Bruncks, Staff;
- Emily Foos; Grant Writer,
- Billy van der Wal; Possible board member

## Introduction Billy van der Wal

### Introduction:

I'm passionate about getting kids excited about learning and providing kids with a different educational experience than the antiquated structure and curriculum of our public schools. Sail2Change teaches kids collaboration, creative problem solving, personal empowerment, appreciation for nature, sustainability, and empathy, all through the medium of extraordinary experiences. I'm especially excited about extending these opportunities to underserved communities. So many families are unable to give their kids these types of experiences because of the costs associate with these kinds of summer camps, and the tuition free nature of Sail2Change allows for kids to have these incredibly valuable learning experiences who otherwise may not have access to them.

### Briefly describe why you would like to join our Board of Directors:

I believe my experience in teaching, sailing, and community engagement/marketing will make me a valuable addition to the Board of Directors. I feel strongly that this is an organization that can make real change in the lives of youth in the Portland community, and I would like to offer my skills to promote the growth of this organization, especially during these uncertain times. I have spent much the last few months researching alternative education and education innovation in the US, and have been excited about getting in volved in the field of alternative education to give kids valuable and enjoyable learning experiences outside of the classroom. I would love to put my passion to work at Sail2Change and help pave the way for positive growth and expansion in the future!

**Decision:** Join in as an advisor on the Board. It exposes him to what it is like to be on the board and introduce him into Sail2Change slowly. He can help Sail2Change staff in many other ways.

Give our applicate pool a couple more weeks.

**Lisanne:** Makes a motion to extend the opportunity for Billy to be an advisor on the board.

Second: Katie seconds the motion.

All in favor: Josh, Dieter, Lisanne, Katie

Board Member and DEI Advisor Position	Where should I post this opportunity? Send to Lisanne to post on other media sites that she is connected to Idealist.org Chronical Philanthropy Magazine Check box to share with board Reach out to other organizations, like Latino network, Coast guard veterans, etc.
August Minutes	The August board meeting minutes will be sent out for approval virtually
Loan Conversation	<b>DEIDL Loan</b> We will set up a meeting to discuss our loans further
Sail2Change Direction	Dieter makes a motion to move discussion forward about Sail2Change abstaining from further developing the wilderness program and focus on more nautical education and career guidance.  Alex: Second to make a motion  Josh is in favor, Alex is in favor, and Lisanne in favor, Dieter is in favor
Meeting Adjourned	Dieter made a motion to adjourn the meeting Lisanne seconded the motion Yes: All No: None Abstain: None Meeting adjourned at 8:13pm.