



July 23, 2024

Chair: Natalie

Notes: Kiara

Time: Jasper

Present: Natalie, Cecilia, Charles, Fane, Harrison, Noah, Sierra, Bridget, Chrissy, Art, Samantha, Jasper, Kiara, Tawanda, Koake, Kaitlyn

1. Introductions
 - a. Overview of Structure:
 - b. *For now, these roles are up for volunteers every week*
 - i. Weekly Chair: who can ensure talking is evenly distributed
 - ii. Timekeeper: Keep track of how long we spend on each topic
 - iii. Minute Keeper: Records notes
2. Updates
 - a. News updates
 - Coalition received coverage by FoX59, WRT, WFYI
 - Congrats to everyone for successful press release
 - b. Commission Meeting
 - Majority of Commission is excited
 - OPHS representative is excited about the Coalition and hinted that 2025 will offer more changes for funding
 - 7/23 meeting with OPHS lawyers Kathryn Boyles and Joseph Brinkman
 - Mentioned :Indy Food Fund: funds grass roots initiative
 - c. Discussion and Activity: Creating Workgroups for Next Steps
 - i. Need for new working groups and committees. Will become permanent after 90-day period. People can join multiple committees. Amount per committee is flexible & based on what is needed. Coalition needs to identify strengths, what to learn, what to improve. Team Lead will be identified for each Committee to act as connector to other committee and to speak to the larger Coalition & other Committee Leads about updates, progress, needs (etc.) One member per committee can be a voting member; membership status.
3. Budget Committee: Presents to Coalition, Commission, and OHSP on how much funding is needed and how
 - a. Charles (Kephrrw) who suggested the Coalition get Quickbooks Software
 - b. Harrison: Can connect with organizations in the field
 - c. Koake: Experience in nonprofit finance
 - d. Jasper
4. Ideas/Vision for Next Steps:
 - a. Seed money can be leveraged to invest in tools and necessities
 - b. Connecting with funding opportunities and programs we can collaborate with leads to opportunities to merge priorities with and share information with Budget committee

- c. Outreach Committee offer opportunities for finding funding and support for small farmers and smaller businesses (this is especially beneficial to people in the
 - d. Media Committee might be better used as a sub-team of the Outreach team and a separate committee can be set up for Tech.
 - e. Potential Tech Committee would manage website development, file sharing, managing digital records and information.
 - f. Natalie's experience with a person asking for food inspired her to address the urgency of hunger and the need for Direct Service
 - g. Direct Service offers a chance to "remember why we do this."
 - h. Tawanda's thoughts: There is a scarcity of volunteers and a scarcity of equitable distribution. There is a need for more people to be aware of the need and where labor and capacity is needed.
 - i. Membership Committee: A pre-existing group of designated members focused on the application process to recruit Coalition members
 - i. Noah (Indy Liberation Center)
 - ii. Jasper
 - j. Reach out to all the people who came to previous meetings and use these connections to then reach out to their organizations to connect with more people
 - k. Focus on Voter Membership Applications and then preliminary review to identify who is qualified to join the currently 21-person team
 - l. Focus on Recruitment (in collaboration with Outreach Committee)
 - m. Focus on regulating and managing relations between members within Committees
 - n. Voting Members Application is primary and Executive Member is secondary
 - o. Membership+Outreach Committees can identify ways to share information in an accessible way
 - p. Question: What is the timeline to reach out to Katheryne Boyles to ask for contact lists/ "beat list"
 - q. Boyles offers to push stories on the Coalition's behalf to the "beat list"
 - r. Tech: Website management, Digital Visualization, Social Media Management, and File Management, Administrative Details
 - a. Kiara: File Security, Social Media Management, Administrative Tasks/Organization
 - b. Jasper: Focus on Social media graphics and graphic design, Visuals
 - c. Cecilia
 - d. Need to work with Noah to transfer data and information across website domains
5. Conclusion, next steps
- Remember the Root of the Coalition: Refer back to Coalition Documents
- Seed Funds: What's available for the Coalition Committees to use to begin projects and meet goals
- Committee Members next steps are to coordinate meetings and address goals to report to other committees
- Next Week's Meeting on 7/30 will focus on: By-Law Amendment and Coalition Incorporation into State of Indiana to be recognized as an Entity with the State Entity of the State/Nonprofit (not 501c3 status) offers greater negotiating power.