

Restore Georgia Board Meeting Minutes 11/09/2020 - 7PM

BOD PRESENT: Brendan Spaar; Andy Stein; Bill Paul; **ABSENT:** Waleisah Wilson & Beverly Cochran

Membership Present: Daniel Gazzuolo

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** Brendan called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. (meeting being recorded)

2. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Approval of August and September Meeting Minutes: August & September BOD minutes adopted with corrections.
- B. Updates Re: Cobb County Letter: NARSOL has identified two possible plaintiffs regarding the arrests for residency checks and a 3rd regarding self-employment problem with a suite number. NARSOL wants this to be tried in court where it is not swept under the rug. Maddox Kilgore Attorney out of Cobb County has been interviewed and is not afraid of taking on high profile cases.
- C. Status of 501 (C)(3) filing: Due to Covid 19 they were closed 2 months and are up to Aug. 27th on filings. Once Brenden got the application corrected and filed on Sept. 4th the application is pending and everyone that has donated since that date will receive tax deductible status once accepted. Hopefully we will be approved in another month.

3. TREASURER'S REPORT

- A. Approval of any expenses: Andy: Brendan was paid \$275 on 10/13 to cover the cost of the 501(C) (3) filing that he had paid for from his personal account.
- B. Monthly report – Andy: With moving over \$37 to the \$1964 the total is near \$2000 in the bank account. Bill Paul put a 30 day hold on his donation for the approval of the tax-deductible status.

4. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Statewide Meeting Debrief – Brendan: Bill, Andy and Beverly attended both days. Bill stated that he felt Saturday's meeting was exceptional. Discussion ensued as of whether to continue holding 2 statewide meetings per quarter or consolidating.
- B. Regional/National Update – Brendan stated that NARSOL is updating the MOU's for affiliates which will include training via webinars. A draft will be sent to BOD members to sign off on soon. The NARSOL Conference will be coming up in a couple of weeks; 93 have signed up thus far. The digest info is due the end of the week; anything you want included email Brendan. Bill Paul will represent Restore GA on the Nominating Committee.
- C. SORRB Update – Bill will be attending this Friday.
- D. NARSOL Police Registry Response Group Update – Beverly: Beverly is not present, but an update was given on a statewide call. The white paper is currently being circulated around for any corrections, but is ready to be sent out. NARSOL will sign off on one and then it will be circulated for individuals to sign on to against a public Police Misconduct Registry.
- E. Constituent Services Update - Bill Paul the same person came to him again about every vehicle on property had to be registered per Gordon County (even though not all belong to

him). He did go ahead and comply under protest. Volunteers needed to answer phone calls. Timeliness is critical in responding to people's calls.

F. Brendan's Meeting with Marissa Dodson (Southern Center for Human Rights): Brendan had a meeting 3 weeks ago. She is an attorney and is very confrontational, even when she doesn't need to be. It was an interesting call and she is a driving force. She lended all the support that she could and would be happy to write a letter. A great relationship is being built with them.

G. Giving Tuesday – 12/1/2020: We may have to miss this year due to not having our tax-exempt status. We will not be eligible for PayPal's match.

H. Marketing:

1. Trifolds Are on Their Way: Emailed Robyn in NC and will be sending about 100 brochures. Brendan will forward brochures to those who asked for them on the call Saturday. Anyone else wanting a few let Brendan know and he will get them to you. Business cards needed to staple to NARSOL info.
2. Social Media (agree on a handle): This was discussed briefly at the last meeting. Waleisah volunteered to work on this. We need to think of what we want our handle to be. We cannot use Restore GA due to the other company has already taken it. GA Registry Reform or Let's Restore GA are suggestions from Brendan. Please let him know if you have suggestions. Others mentioned were Support Restore GA or Join Restore GA.. Bill joined Parler with @Restore GA. We will pick a handle at the next meeting.

I. Website Speed Improvement: Brendan worked on this over the weekend. It is down to 3 or 4 seconds to upload. Brendan trying to update affiliate things. We should be good.

5. **ANY ADDITIONAL NEW BUSINESS**

6. **NEXT MEETING DATE:** December 14, 2020 7:00 PM

7. **ADJOURNED:** With no further business meeting adjourned