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**FreeStore Board
Annual Meeting Minutes
May 9, 2022 @ 5:00 PM
FreeStore Warehouse**

Members Present: Diane Munns, Marty Rathje, Larry Anderson, Jeanie Smith, Pat McDermott, Mike Smith, Rachel McGrew, and Gloria Gray

Other Attendees: Various core volunteers

Various informational documents to be considered during this meeting were provided to the Board Members prior to the meeting with ample time for its study and deliberation. The contents of these documents, referenced throughout, will be preserved as a permanent record of the FreeStore and deemed to be incorporated by this reference in the meeting minutes to the extent the Board considered, discussed, or acted upon the matters in the informational documents.

1. **Call to Order and Welcome** - Ms. Munns, Chair, called the annual meeting to order at 5:10 p.m., confirmed a quorum was present, and chaired the meeting. Welcomed core volunteer guests to the FreeStore for an in-person annual meeting after a two-year hiatus.
2. **Approval of Minutes** – Ms. Munns asked if there were any amendments or corrections to the minutes from the meeting held on February 15, 2022. There being no changes to the minutes, Ms. Smith moved to approve the minutes. Mr. Rathje seconded and upon unanimous vote, the motion carried.
3. **Treasurer's Report** – Mr. Anderson presented the March 31, 2022, Financial Report highlighting financial activities from the quarter. Mr. Anderson stated donors have stayed with us during the turmoil from the pandemic and continue to support operations. So far in 2022, six general donors have provided over \$40,000 from the \$15,000 budgeted. Additionally, the Spring newsletter (mailed a week ago) is up \$5,000 from last year. Mr. Anderson also recognized champion shoppers for finding deals on microwaves and vacuums to possibly keep the warehouse in supply for the remainder of the year. Mr. Anderson also shared his positive experience with the parking lot construction project. Ms. Munns thanked Mr. Anderson for his dedication to this project.
4. **Review of the Year** – Ms. Munns shared 2021 client activity highlights from the 2021 Year End Report. Ms. Munns with assistance from Mr. Roger Munns shared a ten-year overview of client data of total families, adults, children and DV clients helped on a nicely prepared visual bar graph. A dynamic pie graph of revenue and expenses was also shared with committee members and volunteers. Ms. Munns addressed how the warehouse expenses have increased from 2021 and how volunteer availability continues to be a topic of discussion at the board level.
5. **Election of Board Officers** - *The FreeStore Articles of Incorporation direct that the corporation will be managed by a Board of Directors. The bylaws state the first regular board meeting in May shall be the annual meeting to confirm officers and board member terms.* Ms. Munns presented the proposed officer nominations of Ms. Jeanie Smith and Ms. Gloria Gray for the 2022-2025 term. Mr. Anderson moved to approve, and Mr. Rathje seconded. Upon unanimous vote, the motion carried.

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6. **Recognition of Volunteers** – Ms. Munns presented the Volunteers of the Year plaque to Ms. Ellen MacRoy and Mr. Bill Brentano. These two volunteers were nominated for their savvy shopping, handyman abilities, and their dedication to the warehouse (logged over 8,000 service hours). Ms. Munns expressed gratitude on behalf of the entire board for all the volunteers' hard work these past couple of years. Volunteers then went around the room introducing themselves and sharing their role with the FreeStore. Ms. Munns invited everyone to stay for the dedication of the new parking lot and to enjoy a light meal of pulled pork sandwiches, chips, pasta salad, cookies, brownies, and lemonade.

Ms. Smith motioned to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 5:39 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting will occur on August 8, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel A. McGrew

Rachel McGrew, Secretary