

## Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors of Poetry Promise, Inc.

October 28, 2017

Having been duly noticed by email from the Executive Director, the meeting was called to order by Bruce Isaacson in his capacity as Board Chair of Poetry Promise, Inc. at 12:05 p.m. on October 28, 2017 at Winchester Cultural Center. Those present included Joshua Abbey, Rosa Mendoza (by phone), Syd Stewart (by phone), Vogue Robinson (Executive Director), and Robyn Isaacson (Secretary).

The Board reviewed the Minutes of the last meeting which were already executed and approved at that meeting.

Vogue Robinson discussed the possibility of adding new members. The topic of Board Member contributions and capabilities was discussed, together with the Poetry Promise Award and a Luncheon coordinator.

Vogue Robinson further discussed the current Poet Laureate Programs, including a report on the Saul Williams PoNS event, the Dead Poet's Society workshops, Poets in the Schools, Poetry for Life (Alzheimer's), and a Clark County LitCrawl. Further discussion was held on the Battle Born Slam effots and work with the LV Jewish Film Festival. Vogue further discussed each of the main initiatives she has undertaken for this year's fund raising. These include NV Energy, NAC-PIE Grant, Public Education Foundation, Zappos, Barnes & Noble, Reynolds Foundation, and the Clark County OAG.

Bruce Isaacson (Treasurer) provided the financial report, including historical financial information and a proposed budget for the current fiscal year. Discussion was held. A motion was made by Josh to accept the financial report and budget with changes discussed and seconded by Robyn. The motions passed by a 3-0 vote.

Further discussion was held on the status and plans for the Poets of National Stature Reading series. Three additional readings are planned or under consideration, including a Southwest Laureate reading in January, Tracy K. Smith PLOTUS in May, and another re

Josh moved and Robyn seconded that the activities of the officers to date are hereby approved. The motion passed unanimously.

The above minutes are approved and submitted by the Secretary and Board of Directors.

Board of Directors of the Poetry Promise, Inc.

Bruce Isaacson, Chair & Treasurer

Robyn Isaacson, Secretary

Joshua Abbey, Board Member

Syd Stewart, Board Member

Rosa Mendoza, Board Member