

Minutes of the Meeting Board of Directors of Poetry Promise, Inc. April 20, 2024

Those present included Board Members Chris Giunchigliani, Rosa Mendoza, Rodney Lee, and Bruce Isaacson. Executive The meeting was held via Zoom. The meeting was duly noticed by email and called to order by Bruce Isaacson in his capacity as Board Chair at approximately 12:00 p.m.

The Board reviewed the Minutes of the last meeting, which had been circulated in advance. Rodney moved and Chris seconded to approve the Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

Bruce discussed the status of the corporation's administrative burden. One major event, Power of Poetry, was held successfully on April 12. A second major event, a reading by U.S. Poet Laureate Ada Limon, was scheduled for June 2. The company has been struggling under the weight of these and other commitments, public events, grant reporting, accounting, etc.. Bruce noted that outside contractors, including Solid Truth, LLC were engaged to help with the events. A further event for October 2024 was planned per our Nevada Humanities Grant.

Bruce discussed the Financial Report, which had been provided in advance. It was noted that the Readings had increased substantially but Poets in the Schools had experienced a decline in funding. Workshops and the Poetry Promise Award were generally stable. The JOS PP Award had manuscripts in and an announcement and award event scheduled for May 18.

Bruce discussed and reviewed the Standard Grant Donation Report, which had been circulated in advance. It weas noted that we were awaiting decision from three major grant sources, OAG, Poetry Foundation, and United Way.

Rosa moved and Chris seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried without objection and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:50 PM.

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

Board of Directors of Poetry Promise, Inc.

Rosa Mendoza, Board Member & Secretary

Bruce Isaacson, Chair & Treasurer

Chris Giunchigliani, Board Member

Rodney J. Lee, Board Member