

**DALLAS EMERGENCY FOOD CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MINUTES
Friday, July 19, 2024**

MEETING FORMAT: In-person, WaFd office, 11 a.m.

Attendees: Debbie Cochrane, Eileen DiCicco, Eddie Nelson, Kevin Wicker

Absent: Marianne Moore, Sheila Peirce, Jason Thornton,

Eileen called the meeting to order at 11:20 a.m.

1) Consent Agenda

ACTION: Kevin moved and Debbie seconded a motion to approve the June 28, 2024 minutes, the June food distribution report, June treasurer's report and the \$1,200 July contribution to Marion Polk Food Share for June deliveries. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

2) Levens St. Property Update

Eddie received word from the pastor that the church will not be selling the property to Dallas Food Bank. Eddie suggested that we need to be more aggressive in our search for properties including those not yet listed. She will be in contact with real estate agent Yolanda Zuger. Also, Eileen will prepare a news release to get the word out that we are seeking a new location. Debbie volunteered to be the contact person should any inquiries result.

3) Fundraiser Updates

- Spray N Shine – June 17-24 – generated \$378 in donations
- Dallas Fire Department Drive in the works
- Fill the Pantry update – Eileen/Eddie working on phase 2 – outreach to the business community. Mailing to current donors completed.
- Independence from Hunger – Grocery Outlet – Debbie, Eileen and Eddie will be promoting participation at Grocery Outlet. Volunteers especially needed Thursday, Friday, Saturday to hand out flyers during peak shopping times.
- Battle of Badges – Wednesday, July 24th 7 am – David Hayes from the Itemizer-Observer says he will attend. Invitations were sent to KGW and Fox12 TV stations. Board members are encouraged to come.
- Turkeys for Thanksgiving – Eddie will reach out to Linda at Heart Strings to see if we can take over this effort. Kevin will seek the usual donation from Dallas Foursquare Church and Debbie will reach out to Polk County Association of Realtors for support.

4) Letter sent to Oregon Food Bank

Eileen reported that the Dallas Food Bank letter to OFB was mailed following electronic approval by the board. Copies also were sent to Marion Polk Food Share and DFB volunteer Aaron Yusem.

5) Political position statement

At the board's direction in June, Eileen prepared a modification to the Food Bank's Core Values advocacy statement that appears on our website. The revised statement is: "We will be the voice in the community about local hunger and we will communicate information to others. We will not make political statements or take political stands that have no direct relationship to feeding people

in our community.”

ACTION: Eddie moved and Debbie seconded a motion to update Dallas Food Bank’s Core Values statement with this language wherever it appears. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- 6) Donor Appreciation Dinner – Eddie
This item was tabled until August.
- 7) Review of volunteer application & expectations
Eileen will work with Sheila to prepare changes for board review in August.
- 8) Dallas Food Bank purchases
 - a. T-shirts — Eddie suggested that Dallas Food Bank order branded T-shirts for our volunteers to increase DFB volunteer visibility. She has reached out to Tipps about art creation. The logo/art creation was discussed. The shirt purchase will be discussed in August. “Feeding Families Since 1983” was suggested as a possible tagline for the back of the shirt.
ACTION: Eddie moved and Kevin seconded a motion to allocate up to \$200 for the creation of a new logo and vector file for Dallas Food Bank. The motion passed unanimously.
 - b. New printer for DFB office
Eddie informed the board that a new printer was purchased on Amazon Prime Day for \$50 to replace the failing one in the office.

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- 9) Volunteer issue status — No action taken at this time.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:24 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: August 16, 2024, 11 a.m., in-person at WaFd

Minutes respectfully submitted by Eileen DiCicco, secretary.

Approved by Board on 8.16.24