

**SPECIAL OLYMPICS IOWA**  
**Board of Directors Meeting/Orientation**  
**Minutes**  
**April 19, 2023**  
**5:00 PM**

**Member Attendance: X – present      A – Absent**

Baca – X	Buscher – X	Cunningham – X	Decklever – X
Dirksen – X	Disterhoft – A	Dougan – X	Follett – X
Galloway – X	Gulbranson – X	Lightbody – A	Ohle – X
Spencer – X	Rasmussen – X	Rininger – X	Southworth – X
Uhlenhopp – X	Waller - X		

Quorum: **YES**

**1. Call to Order**

Tom Cunningham called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

**2. Acceptance of Minutes**

Meeting minutes from the February 15, 2023 were presented. Jason Follett motioned to approve the minutes and Dana seconded. Motion approved.

**3. Board Expectations and Commitment**

Tom Cunningham reviewed the board commitment and conflict of interest forms. He provided some information about Class A forms and asked that all board members be up to date before Summer Games. An updated Corporate Resolution was presented to update authorized signers to be John Kliegl and Stuart Steffy. Jack Ohle motioned to approve the resolution and Kathleen Rasmussen seconded. The motion carried.

**4. CEO Report**

John and Stuart attended the Knights of Columbus state convention and attended the check presentation. All spring area games are nearly wrapped up. A meeting was held with the Iowa High School Athletic Association, and they are fully supporting a partnership with Special Olympics Iowa. The partnership will be modeled after Nebraska and Indiana and will begin with bowling in the fall. Drake Relays is coming up and there will be several athletes competing in various relays.

**5. Financial Report**

Jack Ohle gave a report on the YTD financials through March. Many line items are tracking in line with budget so far but there will be several large expenses coming up especially with Summer Games. He highlighted that we opened two additional CD's bringing the total to

\$1.3 million. The auditors have been onsite doing the fieldwork and the drafts will be presented at the June meeting. The finance committee will also determine a date to meet to review the investment portfolio.

A motion to approve the financials was made by Kathleen Rasmussen and seconded by Logan Galloway. Motion was approved.

**6. Old Business**

There are plans for another strategic planning work session. The calendar will be reviewed to find an appropriate time.

**7. New Business**

Mary Buscher made a recommendation for the board to volunteer together at a Young Athlete Play day and bring along a colleague or friend to expand our board networking. Sammons has historically been involved in volunteering at these events and it is generally a 1:1 volunteer to athlete ratio. Tom Cunningham made a motion to incorporate this volunteer opportunity and Jason Follett seconded. The motion passed unanimously, and the event will likely take place in the fall.

John went through the calendar of upcoming events, highlighting the MVP Reception on May 25 and Tailgate for Teammates on October 28. Ray Dirksen talked about the upcoming Dallas County Car Show in June and his upcoming trip to Berlin to be part of the World Games Torch Run.

Lisa Spencer and Patrick Gulbranson both gave athlete reports and spoke about the sports they are currently training and competing in.

**8. Adjourn**

The meeting concluded at 6:05 PM.