

#### **OPEN MEETING**

## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOLDEN RAIN FOUNDATION STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

# Monday, March 7, 2022 – 9:30 a.m. BOARD ROOM/VIRTUAL MEETING Laguna Woods Village Community Center 24351 El Toro Road

**Director Present:** Debbie Dotson, Anthony Liberatore, Bunny Carpenter, Ira Lewis,

James Hopkins, Gan Mukhopadhyay, Diane Casey

**Directors Absent:** Robert Mutchnick, Cash Achrekar, Gay Page (Advisor)

**Staff Present:** CEO-Siobhan Foster, Michelle Estrada, Makayla Schwietert

Others Present: Richard Rader (Advisor), Ralph Engdahl

#### 1. Call to Order—Director Dotson, Chair

Chair Dotson called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m. and established that a quorum was present.

#### 2. Approval of the Agenda

Hearing no changes or objections, the agenda was approved unanimously.

#### 3. Approval of the Minutes

- a. GRF Strategic Planning Committee Meeting June 28, 2021
- b. GRF Strategic Planning Committee Meeting January 10, 2022

Hearing no changes or objections, the minutes of June 28, 2021 and January 10, 2022 were approved unanimously.

#### 4. Chair's Remarks

Chair Dotson commented due to the mission statement of GRF, all boards collaborating on one strategic plan is not realistic and emphasized that the long-term planning needs of each mutual, VMS, and GRF are very diverse. The mission statement of the committee is to create achievable GRF goals, including that for the clubhouses, land owned by the trust, and services that fall under the reach of GRF, and the committee is composed of members of the other boards to provide useful ideas under that scope.

#### 5. Old Business

a. Committee Member Ideas With Research

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Director Carpenter commented that Committee Members should conduct research and see what is needed for the future of GRF, so that the Board knows what parameters to work with. Additionally, emphasized that a good budget is important for planning the future.

Director Hopkins stated that one of the focal points of this Committee is to focus on things inside their control. Provided an example that Broadband may be moving to the cloud. Expressed that those such things, will need to be prepared in advance in order to respond to them when and if they become an issue.

Director Lewis reminded the Committee Members that everything has a cost, and asked the members what type of budget is currently in use. Recommended that an infusion of cash from the outside would be the most ideal thing to do to create more development for the people within the village.

Director Liberatore mentioned his concern with regards to insurance. Stated that GRF owes it to the residents to explore all the possibilities, including their own insurance company.

Director Mukhapadhyay commented on the importance of forming a committee to discuss such insurance issues/concerns.

Discussion ensued further among the board.

#### b. Questions for Community Survey/Focus Groups

Chair Dotson stated that all questions and research should be compiled into a list. Shared that the list will create the building blocks for a plan.

#### 6. New Business

#### a. CEO Report on VMS Strategic Planning

CEO-Foster commented that in November 2019, VMS updated a strategic plan, however, due to the unforeseen Covid-19 Pandemic, such plans were changed. There will be an update to the VMS Strategic Plan, with a meeting on March 22, 2022. Representatives will include members from each Boards. The purpose of this meeting and the VMS Strategic Plan is to be able to provide better service to clients, provide Swat Analysis, revisit the 5-year Mission Statement, and revisit the 3-year goals; 6-month action items will be enforced to support such 3-year goals. The VMS Strategic Planning Committee will convene every 6 months to ensure all goals are met.

Chair Dotson and CEO Foster answered questions from the Committee Members.

#### 7. Future Agenda Items - None

8. Next Meeting - May 2, 2022, at 9:30 a.m.

#### 9. Committee Member Comments

- Several Directors commented on their appreciation of the professionalism demonstrated which made this a successful meeting.
- Chair Dotson commented on providing additional research to future meetings.

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### 10. Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:06 a.m.

Debbie Dotson, Chair

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