

BOARD MEETING: July 18th, 2023

- Dara proposed that she and Jim Wright act as a finance committee to provide oversight on finances. The board will review bylaws to see if a formal finance committee is allowed. If not, they will operate informally as one for now.
- The board voted to approve getting a credit card for Will to make purchases for NAMI DeKalb. Will and Dara will go to the bank to set this up. Big purchases still need approval.
- In-person meetings will resume at Shalford Methodist on Wednesdays to start. Eric has the space ready. Will is going to get the owl set up and test it out for the Wednesday group meeting. Still looking for a space for hybrid meetings.
- Last Connections recertification session is July 29th. Dave, Carla and Pat to follow up with facilitators to ensure all get recertified.
- Lengthy discussion on facilitator stipends for signature programs like In Our Own Voice. More clarity needed on NAMI Georgia requirements. Tabled for future discussion.
- Discussed getting more facilitators trained, especially for school presentations. Jade gave perspective on challenges getting new facilitators.
- Carla presented proposals for youth engagement and educational wellness series events. Board voted to approve the proposals.
- Will gave update on business cards, promotional items, bios for website, and social media efforts. Board provided feedback on designs. Will to finalize and order.
- Eric encouraged board to sign up for NAMIWalks fundraiser and raise funds. Clarified board member commitment is \$500 annual donation or fundraising, including NAMIWalks.
- Meeting adjourned 7:11pm.