

## **InterAct Ministries, Inc. Board Meeting**

Country Inn and Suites/Airport, Portland, Oregon  
February 5, 2011

**Present:** David Perry (Chairman), Andy Baxter (Vice Chairman), Chuck Schaap (Treasurer), Loren Leman (Secretary), Gerry Breshears, Huron Claus, Doug Prins, Ray Prigodich, Sheldon Penner, Dale Smith.

**Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Roy Martin (staff), David Joseph (Alaska Field Director), Thomas Slawson (Russia Field Director), and Carol Smith (in and out with arrangements).

### **Call to Order**

Chairman Perry called the meeting to order at 11:08 am. Dale Smith and Andy Baxter were not present initially, but later joined the meeting.

### **Annual signing of Doctrinal Statement and Conflict of Interest Disclosure**

These documents were distributed for signature.

### **Approval of previous minutes**

Claus moved and Breshears seconded to approve minutes as presented. The minutes were approved without objection.

## **REPORTS**

### **Executive Director**

This report by Dale Smith was received in the JMAC meeting held immediately before this meeting.

### **Treasurer**

Chairman Perry asked to move Treasurer's report down the agenda to Finance and Audit Committee report. No objection.

### **Nominating and Review Committee**

Chairman Penner presented the report (see attached minutes). The next year will be a time of substantial transition on the Board. Members Perry, Leman and Schaap cannot be renominated. The committee recommended that Sheldon Penner be nominated for continuation and that Gale Van Diest and Mike Matthews be nominated for new Board service and all three be presented to the voting membership.

Leman reminded the Board of our commitment to having Board members from Alaska, including those who represent the host culture (Alaska Native, which Leman currently fills). The Board agreed with the desire to backfill behind Leman and Perry with Alaskans. One more nominee will be processed during the next six months with this in mind. Both Gale and Mike have Alaska connections, though neither is currently living in the State. The committee report was approved without objection, advancing Penner, Van Diest, and Matthews to the general membership for approval.

### **Finance and Audit Committee**

Chairman Schaap presented the committee's report (see attached minutes), which included its recommendation to approve the 2011-2012 budget and accept the auditor's report. This budget had been discussed in some detail in the JMAC meeting. The committee report was approved without objection, thereby adopting the budget and accepting the auditor's report.

## NEW BUSINESS

### Special Projects Policy Change

The Board discussed options for faster approval of projects when a need and a donor have been identified, but many months may elapse before the next Board meeting. Leman moved/ Breshears seconded to increase the limit from \$20,000 to \$50,000 for a proposal to be brought to the Board with the approval of the Executive Director for an electronic vote. Any member could request and be granted a telephonic discussion. Projects in excess of \$50,000 must still follow existing policy and be brought to a regular meeting of the Board for consideration. The Board adopted this policy change without objection.

### Secondments

Leman moved/Breshears seconded to approve the requested extensions for Gary Brumbelow and Ted Mole. The motion passed without objection.

### Secondment Policy

Penner moved/Claus seconded a change to our secondment policy. Following discussion the motion was withdrawn without objection. The Board asked the Administration to come back with a proposed new policy statement that we will see in August.

### Break

Chairman Perry called a break from 1:28 pm to 1:42 pm.

### Budget

Breshears presented the Finance & Audit Committee report (see attached notes). Schaap talked about auditor's report. No issues. Ratios are good. Big issue is proposal for David Joseph subsidy. Discussion on budget. Finance Report passed as presented. No objections.

### Future Meetings

July 31-August 1, 2011 in Soldotna if adequate accommodations (room and board) can be arranged at Alaska Christian College. Loren offered a day trip to his Ninilchik Point fishing camp.

Or, July 31-August 1, 2011 in Anchorage or Palmer.

February 2-4, 2012 in Portland

### Meeting evaluation

- How did our meeting go today? We agreed this was a good meeting. The day for reports and discussion before the meeting helped.
- What can we do better next time? No record of this discussion.
- How do you feel about the relevance of the agenda items to your understanding of the Board's responsibility? Good.
- Members appreciated the participation of Field Directors David Joseph, Thomas Slawson, and Dan Mayerle in person. This should continue.

### Adjournment

Chairman Perry closed in prayer and adjourned the meeting at 2:46 pm. The Board returned to the JMAC meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Loren Leman, Secretary  
Anchorage, Alaska  
March 19, 2011