



**Board Meeting**

Monday, February 15, 2016, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Location: Corner Bakery in Warrenville

In Attendance: April Hedlund, Elaina Whittenhall, Erika Rios, Liz Gardner and Melissa Hedlund

Melissa motioned to start meeting at 7:07 p.m.

Liz seconded.

**Agenda**

1. Introductions
2. Reviewed Robert's Rules of Order and Confidentiality
  - a. Discussed adding a bullet point to board members' position descriptions, under general responsibilities, about confidentiality and social media.
  - b. Elaina will scan a copy of Robert's Rules and email to current board.
3. Reviewed Roles and Responsibilities
  - a. April is treasurer; Elaina is secretary; Erika is director of community outreach; and Melissa is board chair.
  - b. Liz had been the secretary and transitioned the role to Elaina. Liz's role as "director" and that position description seemed uncertain. She may provide program and/or fundraising support. The Vice Chair title was suggested, motioned to be official by Elaina at 7:27 p.m. and seconded by Erika. Motion approved.
4. Financial Update
  - a. Melissa has been applying for small grants, but most funding comes through billing and Communities in Schools (CIS).



- b. Discussed doing a spring fundraiser in June with art and wine at the Paramount or an expressive therapies educational conference/symposium at COD (will reach a different demographic than Art Jam three months later).
5. Programming Update
- a. Former interns Jacquie and Carla are providing art therapy in schools, and new intern provides art therapy for free at Nicholson (since it's not funded by CIS).
  - b. Screened Inocente at Simply Destiny.
  - c. Seeing lots of kids and adults at the studio, and fielding more calls every week from new clients. Should organization be listed on Psychology Today?
  - d. Twenty-two people went to Rush's art therapy group for movement disorders.
  - e. May do a mural in the basement of CIS's home office.
6. Strategic Plan: reviewed progress on past and upcoming goals. Elaina will add brief synopses of major goals to the document, make progress notations, and email to board.
7. Future of TLOTH
- a. New Studio: may relocate outside of downtown Aurora, to a place with grass and trees in a higher-income neighborhood, yet still accessible by public transport.
  - b. Next board meeting: April 18, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at Corner Bakery in Warrenville

Melissa motioned to end meeting at 7:56 p.m.  
Liz seconded.