

Announcements:

Please do not park in front of the Garage Doors as Metra Staff is moving vehicles and equipment in & out during meeting times.

Guests: Jerry Morrison (New York Life) for his second visit. Jim Romsa – Rob's dad was at Friday's meeting.

Friday 4/16 is business meeting so NO GUESTS please.

Tuesday is the board meeting it will be at Kraft Local on Montana Ave.

Districts will be 5/21-5/23.

Contact Stacy for Signs/Pinwheels/Pins & Tees. 4/22 Pinwheel Ceremony downtown at court house.

Flyers on Tables for Bites of Billings restaurants. Date will be 4/22/21

Nominations:

Foundation – Trina

Newsletter – Shannon

Board – Lannie, Wade, Tim, Kristen

Secretary – Shannon

Pres Elect -

Speeches from Dina read Trina's, Shannon, Tim & Wade. Lannie's was forwarded after meeting.

Presentation: Marilyn from Parenting Place in Missoula (PPM) & coExecutive Director of PCA MT w/ our own Stacy Dreessen

Marilynn took over just ahead of the Covid shut down, so she has been working to address changes in society.

PPM moved their location after 40 years to address changes in services, and to generate funds for operating expenses (Planet Kids of YWCA is leasing their building).

Services – closed respite during COVID, and now focusing on fewer services with better delivery – Partner in Parenting w/ focus on substance abuse, Nurturing Classes, Parenting 2nd time around, Trauma 101, Linking Systems of Care, Coordinated Family Services - locally in Missoula to create one stop shopping for services focusing on Parent Ed, Mental Health, and food security, and PCA MT.

Missoula still under mask mandates and limit meeting sizes, so business model is affected by this.

Fundraising looking good.

Donation Warehouse going strong and providing significant funding to PPM,

Contracts in place for services with several government entities.

Planet Kids lease of building – covering PPM lease and building maintenance fund for PPM buildings.

Grants

PPM 40th anniversary later this year!

Closing Announcements:

Darryl – Bull Mountain Grille to added to the Bites of Billings. Further details and volunteers may be requested for helping be ambassadors during event.

Steve S would appreciate people not parking in front of the garage doors as he seems to get the complaints from Metra Staff.