

#### **MINUTES**

# YWCA Utah Annual Membership Meeting Thursday, June 16, 2021, 5:30 p.m. Via Zoom and in-person

#### I. Welcome and Call to Order

Mary Anne Berzins, Chair of the YWCA Board of Directors, called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. (33 members were in attendance) By tradition, Mary Anne began the meeting by reading the YWCA mission aloud. She thanked generous contributors, government and community partners, YWCA members, caring staff, and Board members who make this work possible.

# II. Pledge to Eliminate Racism

Mary Anne led the YWCA members in attendance in a recitation of the YWCA USA *Stand Against Racism Pledge*.

### III. Approval of 2020 Minutes

Board Secretary Lynda Jeppesen presented and asked for a motion to approve the 2020 minutes. Jennifer Smith moved to approve the 2020 minutes and Lisa Andrues seconded the motion. The motion carried.

# IV. Treasurer's Report

Susan Speirs presented the 2020-2021 Treasurer's Report and attested that the YWCA's financial statements are in order and the finance department follows GAAP. The organization submits to an annual independent audit. This year's audit, for fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, was a clean audit, with no findings. The YWCA's federal form 990 is posted on the website, and the full audit is available on request.

### V. Governance Report

Kathryn Holmes introduced the women elected by the general YWCA membership to serve on the YWCA's Board of Directors. The following women were elected to serve their first three-year term on the Board beginning July 1, 2021: Neelam Chand, Shireen Ghorbani, Wendy Hobson-Rohrer and Selma Mlikota. Pam Giles was elected to her second term on the Board. Kathryn also announced the Board elected the following officers for next year: Mary Anne Berzins (Chair); Trina Eyring (Chair-Elect); Lisa Brown Miranda (Secretary); and Lisa Andrues (Treasurer).

#### VI. Chair's Remarks

Mary Anne expressed her gratitude for the opportunity to work on the Board of Directors. She thanked YWCA for their ability to provide needed services and programming during this tumultuous year. She also thanked two outgoing Board members – Audrey Jiricko and Jennifer Smith who both completed their second term on the Board.

### VII. CEO's Remarks

Liz Owens shared her vision for the YWCA is one of welcome to anyone who would like to engage in this work with us. She is proud of the work the YWCA team has accomplished in their efforts toward

eliminating racism and empowering women. She shared the different programs at YWCA Utah along with the launching of our second 21 Day Race Equity and Social Justice Challenge to begin on June 21<sup>st</sup>. She also announced the keynote speaker for our 2021 LeaderLuncheon on September 24<sup>th</sup> is Angela Davis. She expressed her gratitude to staff, Board members, Community Advisory Council members, community committee members as well as all YWCA Utah membership who share in our commitment to our mission.

# IX. Adjournment

Mary Anne thanked members in attendance and a motion was made by Lisa Brown Miranda and seconded by Lynda Jeppesen to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 pm. The motion carried, and the zoom meeting was ended. In-person attendees enjoyed a small reception.