



Mission
The GLO Center serves the LGBTQIA community in the Ozarks through support resources, education, and advocacy to create a more inclusive and welcoming community where all can thrive.

Values
Anti-Racism, Transparency, Accessibility, Service



Date & Time: Monday Sep 30, 2024 5:30pm

Location: Vandivort Hotel

Music Provided by: Charlie

Call to Order: 6:07pm, Megan Baldrige

1. President of Board of Directors Welcome and Opening Statement given.

a. Mission Statement read.

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2. Executive Director, Aaron Schekorra

a. Yearly success report.

b. Welcome and thank staff, board members, interns, members and volunteers.

c. Special thank you to Springfield Black Tie and 2 Odd Balls.

3. Pridefest Report, Caitlin Davies, 2025 Pridefest Chair

a. Record Attendance

b. Thank you to committee members for 2024 Pridefest

c. Record vendors/sponsors

d. Next Year Goals

i. Increase Parade Participation and Excitement.

ii. Expand event space outside of the square.

iii. Theme will likely be focused on homecoming.

4. Poetry Reading, Martha Ghost

5. Staff Report, Collins Chetwin

a. Report on current programming.

6. Staff Report, Emilia Stauffer

a. Explained what this new role does for the LGBTQIA+ community.

- i. Community partnership building.
- ii. Case management (coming soon).
- iii. Community education.
- iv. Direct community support.
- b. Crisis Cold Weather Shelter capacity to increase by 2 beds this year.

7. Financial Report, Aaron Schekorra, Executive Director

- a. Cash on Hand: \$216,713.20
- b. Announcement of New Comedy Fundraiser Event
 - i. Stand Up for GLO
- c. Reminder of GLO Membership Benefits
 - i. Display of new member t-shirt

8. Board Governance Report, Courtney Cook, Chair of Board Governance Committee

- a. Explanation of committee duties
- b. Demographic makeup
- c. Current strengths and gaps of the Board of Directors
- d. Board of Director Nominations
 - i. Committee Slate: Carolyn Esparza, Kyle Vesely, Jodey Fulcher
- e. Kyler Shermin Wliks moves to accept nominations from the committee. f. Jeremy Dean moves to open floor for nominations from general membership, seconded by Meghan Baldrige.
- g. Courtney Cook moves to open floor for discussion, seconded by Carolyn Esparza
 - i. Aaron Schekorra provides support for nominees from the Board Governance Committee.
 - ii. Kyler Sherman-Wilkins gives a statement in support of growth of the organization.
 - iii. Madeline Baron gives support for all nominations. Specifically shows support for Carolyn Esparza.
 - iv. Emilia Stauffer states support for diversification of board members. v. Rebecca Damnrn gives support for Jodey Fulcher
- h. Jeremy Dean moves to close the floor, seconded by Meghan Baldrige. i. Courtney Cook moves to open the floor for voting, seconded Madeline Baron. j. Results of Board of Directors election:

i.

Nominee Votes
Carolyn Esparza 25
Kyle Vesely 25
Jodey Fulcher 25
Abstain 0

Meeting Adjourned: Monday September 30, 2024 at 7:40pm