



**Oakridge Neighborhood
August 27, Board Meeting
7:30 am**

Hybrid meeting – Oakridge Neighborhood Board Room - 1401 Center Street Des Moines, IA

Board Attendance:

Carol Bodensteiner, Diana Dubuisson, Sherri Hart, Emily Lemay, Skylar Mayberry-Mayes, Andrea McGuire, Matthea Smith, Erin Kuhl,

Remote Attendance:

Marcy Baker, Jaime Buelt, Albert Farr, Tim Haight, Mary Johnson, Mark Wiltse; Jessica Zaugg, Nalo Johnson, Joyce McDanel,

Absent:

Jessica Fenney, Kuuku Saah, Kent Kramer, Sharon Gaddy-Hanna, Deidre Williams

Staff Attendance:

Deidre DeJear, Kristin Clayton, Chris Irvine, Almardi Abdalla, Kristin Littlejohn, Sheri Fitzpatrick

I. Call to Order/Chairs Report

- a) Skylar Mayberry-Mayes called the meeting to order at 7:30 am.

II. Mission Moment

Emily Lemay spoke on making personal connections at the Teen Tech Center and how those connections led to funding for the Teen Tech Center. Everyone we meet has potential to be connections for furthering the Oakridge story

III. Consent Agenda Approval

Skylar presented the following items for approval:

- a) Board Meeting Minutes – June 2025
- b) July 2025 Financials
- c) Committee Reports

Move: Carol Bodensteiner **Second:** Erin Kuhl **Status:** Passed

IV. July Finance Committee Update

- a) July financials reviewed
- b) Continued positive Board responses to the graphing visuals now included in packet; Request for graphs of the reserves when the policies have been set

V. Approval of 990

Move: Tim Haight **Second:** Erin Kuhl **Status:** Passed

VI. Committee Report



- a. Development
 - 1. Kristin Littlejohn shared brief update of fundraising dashboard
 - 2. Software changes to take place in the next few weeks
 - 3. Upcoming opportunities for funding
 - i. Jazz, Jewels and Jeans
 - ii. Oak Society
 - iii. Board Connect
- b. Communications
 - 1. Carol Bodensteiner provided a brief update on several media relations connections being made
 - 2. Website Updates to take place this fall
- c. Human Resources
 - 1. Joyce updated Board of the upcoming CEO Evaluation
 - i. Introductory email sent out to Board From Mollie Frideres, New consultant providing consulting for CEO evaluations and Employee Performance Management
 - ii. CEO Evaluations to be sent to Board and Cabinet September 4, 2025 for completion of Ceo evaluation by October 2025 Board Meeting
- d. Housing
 - 1. Jamie Buelt provided a brief update on
 - i. Vacancy Rates
 - ii. Recent Inspections

“Housing is the very key element of what Oakridge was originally built on.”

VII. CEO Updates

VIII. Meeting Adjourned 9:08 am

Reminders

Next Board Meeting October 22, 2025, at 7:30 am