July 28, 2021, SEFA Council Meeting (via Zoom)

Council members attending: Bill Ferguson, Millie Lucas, Cornelia Mead, Caroline Westbrook, Nick LaMorte

1. Bill Ferguson for Council Chair, Tom Wickerham was called away.
2. Minutes from June 14 meeting - Caroline moves, Cornelia seconds. No discussion, minutes approved.
3. Finance report $5,907.98 for May, $5,729.30 for June, total $11,637.28. Finance committee reviewed and approved on July 23. Bill Ferguson moves that we approve, seconded by Cornelia, to pay those bills. Approved.
4. Bill also mentioned that third quarter assessments were moved, urged attention to pay them.

Alicia Otis UWGCR - report

1. Tax and Finance has agreed to print the books, good news, should be about a two week turnaround. The book is ready in typesetting, also the pledge forms.
2. Marketing orders - asking for feedback soon.
3. PEF printing the posters also, not sure of delivery date.
4. Campaign Update
   1. About mid May we became aware that UWGCR didn't want to continue after their term ends (Dec 31). We sent out an RFA in search of another State manager. Only one application came back - United Way of Central New York.
   2. Bill recommended accepting the application from UWCNY for three years Moved by Nick LaMorte, Cornelia seconds. Motion carried. Also authorized Tom W. to work on an MOU for this relationship - Cornelia moves, Nick seconds, motion carried.
   3. Question - do we know why UWGCR opted not to continue? Peter Gannon from UWGCR said it has been a "loss leader" for several years. Also he said UWCNY is well set up to manage SEFA, there will be some reduncancy in their staffing, which is good. They still feel there is potential for Statewide SEFA, and modernization is needed.
   4. Regulation revisions are still in the Commissioner's office, looks like we will have to go through this year's campaign with current regulations.
5. Nick - want to commend Wayne Spence and officers for a fantastic PEF contract.

1. Motion to adjourn - Moved by Nick Lamorte, seconded by Millie Lucas. Meeting adjourned 1:54 pm