



**RNE Nominations Committee**  
**January 11, 2023 Meeting Minutes**

In Attendance: Jennifer Redmond; Chrissy Hanisco; Mary Zanor; Kate Weldon LeBlanc

**Current state:**

- 6 board spots open; 1 additional will open in June at the end of Catherine's final term.
- Goal is to fill 2 by end of Q1; fill additional spots in June

**Recruiting efforts:**

- LinkedIn, non-profit center for each state; current volunteers; individual networks – Kate to regroup with Emily and set deadline.
- Chrissy has a potential candidate: MA resident; attorney at large firm; LGBTQ; married; toddler through surrogacy.
- Kate circulated interest form from Meredith Wheeler: RI; LGBTQ couple; advocacy committee member. Geographic diversity is a priority. We will move ahead with her. Circulate to full board for email vote. Per Bylaws it seems that an email vote has to be unanimous – Kate will double check with attorney.
- Kate also mentioned a donor from MA, retired in VT; was a grant writer, worked in philanthropy; built family in part through surrogacy. Chrissy wondered how much connection to community is there? We will start to know more people in VT due to current advocacy campaign; so will hold off on pursuing the donor Kate mentioned.
- Kate talking to attorney at Mintz Levin; MA resident – not what we need urgently.
- Mary asked what other sectors we may want board members in: marketing; social media.

**Upcoming Meetings:**

The Committee will meet again in Feb, April and May. Jennifer will schedule and send calendar invites.