

**COMMUNITY OPTIONS, INC.**  
**44th ANNUAL MEETING –10/11/16**  
**Montrose Pavilion**

**PRESENT:**

Mary Turner  
Julie Hilmes  
Darcy Arnold  
Kristi Garner  
June Chandler  
Carolyn Rettig  
Mary West  
David Kienholz  
Peggy Day

**EXCUSED ABSENCE:**

Mike Schottelkotte  
David Lane  
Trevor Harrison

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Many

Cookies, fruit, coffee and conversation were enjoyed by all prior to the meeting.

**I. Call to Order:**

Vice-President Mary Turner called the meeting to order at 7:30.

**II. Introduction of Board and Guests:**

Mary welcomed everyone and asked staff and/or providers to stand and thanked them for their efforts on behalf of the people we serve. The Board members introduced themselves and said how long they had been on the Board.

**III. Nominating Committee Report and Election of Board Members/Officers:**

June Chandler, Secretary, read the rules for voting and the nominating process. The Nominating Committee recommended the re-election of four current board members: David Kienholz, Julie Hilmes, Peggy Day and Kristi Garner. There were no nominations from the floor. It was moved and seconded to close nominations. Motion was made and seconded to re-elect these four current board members. Motion carried.

**Slate of Officers:** Darcy Arnold – President; Mary Turner – 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President; Mary West – 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President; June Chandler – Secretary; David Lane – Treasurer. Motion was made and seconded to elect this slate of officers. Motion carried.

**IV. Joyful Sounds** – Their music, and choreography, was as wonderful as always!

**V. Keynote Speakers** – Ellen Jensby and Emma Hudson from Alliance and Mariah Emond from the newly formed Arc of West Central Colorado. All three did a great job.

**VI. Special Recognition and Awards, including COI's Employee of the Year:**

Tom Turner welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending our 44th Annual Meeting. Tom and Mary handed out the Personal Achievement Awards that went to Jimmy Becker, Rabecca Farelli, Marzia Thomas and Andrew Wilson. Local businesses, professionals, employers, volunteers, and advocates in the community were also given

appreciation/recognition awards, including a special award to Keith Larsen of the Arc of Mesa County who will be retiring soon after a long career of advocacy.

- ✓ **Special recognition was given to COI's Employee of the Year for 2016:** Chery Gordon. Congrats Chery!!

**VII. Adjournment**

Mary thanked everyone for their attendance and adjourned the 44th Annual Meeting.

Submitted by:

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