

MSA Transitional Board Meeting Agenda, March 30, 2017 11 am – 1 pm, Liminal Space

11 Board Business

- Update on Andy
 - *He is planning to be finished on April 1, 2017*
 - *Need to solidify new processes for MSA moving forward—for James' sake (financials, etc.)*
- Update on Godspace
 - *Transfer of website is almost complete.*
 - *MSA is essentially nonexistent on the website, might want to put something into the site once James is in place?*
- Discuss logistics of James coming on board:
 - James starting date
 - *He's planning to finish at the end of June and will take July off, starting in his new role in August.*
 - Discuss hiring contract to be drafted
 - *Will come into his role as a halftime employee, allowing him time to work on his doctorate in balance with this new work.*
 - *May be helpful to get James thinking about future board members to work with, getting them on board now in order to have them ready when he starts in late summer.*
 - Other help? :)
 - *Greg Nelson wanting to take on a more formal role in helping James, at least initially, for the sake of ensuring continuity and a strong foundation for growth.*
- Discuss logistic of Sines donating land.
 - Some contract of promise - probably 10 acres in 2017
 - *Need to have 20 acres for zoning purposes*
 - Then either the next 20 in 2018 or 10 each year in 2018 – 2019.
- Board member terms
 - *Thinking Greg Abel can roll off in the near term*

- *Andi stays through June*
- *Forrest wants to be available but may need to step aside for family reasons.*
- **OTHER BUSINESS**
 - *We've got a meeting scheduled with a lawyer to talk about the land, contract for James, etc.*

11:45 Sines, James, and David join us for lunch

- Consider official hire of James Amadon
 - *Board officially voted to hire James into this new role, the title of which will be determined later.*
- Sine share hopes for new drive for project on the land
 - *Christine reiterated the vision for A Rocha in Surrey, and how it speaks to the Sine's hopes for this property (community, the Celtic root, and community garden)*
 - *Tom spoke of the overall challenge and a desire to connect James with other visionaries/entrepreneurs.*
 - *Both offered a desire to be as supportive as possible without getting in the way, particularly w/respect to fundraising.*
 - *Christine wants to put together a history that puts into context some of the challenges and hopes for the land, including David Vandervort's plans.*
 - *JAMES: expression of gratitude. Hopeful for the convergence of possibility and opportunity—and a desire for prayer as the journey unfolds.*
 - *Also talked about his doctoral work, focused on the need for spaces like what MSA is envisioning.*
- David shares about
 - The original development vision
 - *David produced a few maps and offered a history of his connection to the land and vision of the Sines (late 2009 vision to develop the land for classroom and connection to place-Creation Care)*
 - *David ran through plans, permitting, costs, and changes in*

codes for water, electric, and the access road as well as the desire to keep designs 'sustainable' in accordance with the Sine's wishes.

- *David suggested the need to follow up with some codes and permits particularly with respect to the access road and encroaching usage from adjoining properties.*
- *Tom asked about the need/desire/possibility of having someone living on the land to prevent vandalization but suggested that a more formal or permanent arrangement might be undesirable for the long haul.*
- *James: asked David's desire to stay in the process, particularly w/respect to helping him think about development and process.*

- **Necessary next steps**

- *Forrest strongly suggested the need to move the next 10 acres in order to conceptualize the vision and move it forward for James' sake/planning/creating a business plan.*
- *The Sines responded that they will get on that immediately in consultation w/their CPA.*
- *David suggested talking to Bob Eckblad about the arrangement he made with his land in cooperation with The Nature Conservancy. Terra Nueva as a potential sister/mentoring organization.*
- *James added that he was hoping to attend a Murdoch meet-n-greet in Portland in an attempt to build a relationship for future partnership.*