Major decisions taken by Emergent Board of Directors

Last updated on March 21, 2022

November 3, 2020 meeting:
- The Board elected Nathaniel Keohane to the Board.

May 14, 2020 meeting:
- The Board voted to authorize Emergent to open an account on the Architecture for REDD+ Transactions (ART) registry.

February 19, 2020 meeting:
- The Board will form a working group on the topic of considerations on engaging resellers and hold a separate call to discuss this topic.

December 20, 2019 meeting:
- The Board elected Richard Kauffman to the Board.

September 25, 2019 meeting:
- The updates to the bylaws were approved.
- The Board decided to continue to use the strategic planning document presented by GDI to track progress going forward.
- The Board requested that, beginning with the governance Board rather than the advisory Board, the Emergent team develop a list of “slots” to fill on the Board (e.g., specific sectoral representation or expertise sought). The Board can then determine whether those are the right “slots” and, if so, evaluate candidates to fill them.

August 1, 2019 meeting:
- The Board unanimously approved Resolution #1: Adopting Our Mission and Principles.
- The Board unanimously approved Resolution #2: Adoption of Emergent’s Bylaws.
- The Board unanimously approved Resolution #3: Appointment of Officers, with Director Bernasconi serving as Chair, Director Knight serving as Secretary (on an interim basis until other members are added to the Board), Director Acharya serving as Treasurer, and Eron Bloomgarden (a non-board member) serving as President.
The Board unanimously approved Resolution #4: Engagement of the Executive Director, engaging Eron Bloomgarden to serve that role.

The Board unanimously approved Resolution #5: Opening of Emergent Bank Account, authorizing the staff of Emergent or GDI, to open checking and savings accounts for Emergent.

The Board unanimously approved Resolution #6: Emergent Bank Signing Authority, granting the Board Chair and Executive Director fiscal signing authority for the organization.

The Board unanimously approved Resolution #7: Emergent Contract Signing Authority, granting the Board Chair and Executive Director the authority to legally bind Emergent through written agreements.

The Board unanimously approved Resolution #8: Adopting New Governance Policies, including the Conflict of Interest, Record Retention, and Whistleblower policies.

The Board unanimously approved Resolution #9: Setting Emergent’s Fiscal Year, to set the fiscal year from January 1 to December 31.