

VISALIA ROTARY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

MINUTES OF THE

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Buckman-Mitchell, Inc. Community Room

500 North Santa Fe Avenue, Visalia, CA

February 22, 2017

Meeting called to order at 7:00 a.m. by Marty Zeeb, President.

PRESENT (* indicates voting positions): Marty Zeeb (President*), Eric Shannon (Executive Chairman*; Long-Range Fund Raising*), Duane Scott (Executive Secretary/Treasurer*), Phil Hornburg (Vice President), Francie Langley (Secretary; Director of Invisibility), Shirle Reynolds (Executive Assistant), Don Ritter (Immediate Past President '15-'16*), Lloyd Hicks (President Elect), Steve Chrisman (Director of Grants*), Peter Golombek (Major Projects Coordinator), Susan Lucas (Director of Scholarship Selection*), Steve Perry (Director of Scholarship Administration*), Ryan Purkiss (Director of Finance*), Dru Quesnoy (Director of Marketing*), and Suzanna "SAM" Aguilera-Marrero (VLR*). **ABSENT**: Larry Benevento (Treasurer; Director of Planned Giving*), Gerry Schneider (Director of Nothing), Jon Pree (VRC*), Deborah Volosin (VCC*), Scott James (VBR*), Barbrea Hood (VSR*), Lina Contreras (Pres. Visalia Latino Rotary Club (VLR), Don Hutton, Gary Paden, Paul Sonier, and Gene Yunt.

MINUTES: The minutes of the January 25, 2017 meeting were accepted as presented.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Duane Scott reported the total balance in all the accounts was \$4,757,982.88 at February 16, 2017 compared to \$4,624,465.76 at January 23, 2017. The increase is mainly a result of booking the in-kind contributions to the Respite House. Duane presented the financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2016. Duane shared the total donations received, expenses, grants made, and fund balances since inception of the Foundation. Over \$13 was received from AmazonSmile (Woo Hoo!) Since the last meeting \$8,750 was disbursed for scholarships. The financial report shall be filed. **(Reminder)** The Foundation is now registered with Amazon Smile Foundation. Shop online at smile.amazon.com for eligible merchandise and .5% of the purchase will be donated to our Foundation; **Club Representatives** please remind your clubs.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A.) Respite House – Phil Hornburg reported the plaque been completed by the granite works for the Respite House. It scheduled for installation in approximately two weeks. Phil will notify the Foundation members when he has a firm date. Duane is still dealing with the County for the welfare exemption of property taxes. The State Board of Equalization requires an inspection of the property, which is pending. Well done, one and all!

- B.) Grant Committee – Steve Chrisman reported the committee will start vetting applications.
- C.) Scholarship Committee – Susan Lucas reported applications are being received and recipients will be chosen in April. Steve Perry reported that he will contact those students who haven't submitted the paperwork to claimed their funds.
- D.) St. Patrick's Day Party – Eric Shannon reported lighting and sound bids were received for a cost of \$7,000. Since the cost was expected to be only \$2,000 for lighting and sound alone, total of all costs would create zero net proceeds. It was decided to cancel the event as cost prohibitive and plan something else for another time.
- E.) Other Old Business – None

NEW BUSINESS

A.) Jennifer from the Rawhide informed the Board about "The "Hitting Challenge," to be hosted June 19th. Local ball players submit applications to compete for scholarships. Community organizations are asked for signs for the players to hit to win funds. Last year was the trial event. This year it will be part of the FanFest. Last year they had 6 targets. Awards ranged from \$100 to \$500. They need to know pledges by the end of April. The Board will consider their level of involvement.

B.) Donn Ritter requested nominees for Chamber of Commerce Man and Woman of the year. This award is essentially a lifetime achievement award.

NEXT MEETING: Next meeting will be Wednesday, March 22, 2017 at 7 a.m., Buckman-Mitchell, Inc. Community Room, 500 North Santa Fe Avenue, Visalia, CA.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:40 a.m.

Francie Langley

Secretary