

**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
August 17, 2018

Meeting called to order at 7:00 a.m. by Bruce Nicotero, President.

PRESENT (*indicates voting positions): Bruce Nicotero (President*), Duane Scott (Executive Secretary/Treasurer*), Francie Langley (Secretary*), Shirle Reynolds (Executive Assistant), Lloyd Hicks (Immediate Past President 2017-2018*), Steve Chrisman (Director of Grants*), Susan Lucas (Director of Scholarship Selection*), Ryan Purkiss (Director of Finance*), Dru Quesnoy (Director of Marketing*), Gerry Schneider (Giving Administration/Tracking*), Todd Martin (VBR*), and Sarahelena Martinez (VLR*). **ABSENT**: Eric Shannon (Executive Chairman*; Director of Long-Range Fund Raising*), Anees Akhund (Treasurer; Director of Planned Giving*), Phil Hornburg (Vice President), Donn Ritter (Director of Scholarship Administration*), Marty Zeeb (Major Projects Coordinator*), Paul Hurley (VRC*), To Be Determined (President Elect), Tom Hornburg (VCC*), Patrick Lozano (VSR*), Lina Contreras (VLR), Gene Yunt, and Paul Sonier.

MINUTES: The minutes of the July 20, 2018 meeting stand as presented.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Duane Scott reported the total balance in all the accounts was \$5,286,821.82 at August 13, 2018 compared to the corrected balance of \$5,295,523.32 at July 16, 2018. \$9,500 was disbursed during the month for various scholarships. Brewfest deposits to date total \$26,785 with more expected soon. The financial report shall be filed. Duane is in the process of updating the signature cards. He also reviewed the policy for issuing checks. Invoices to be paid are approved by Eric Shannon and then passed to Duane to write the checks. The exception this is the standing Board approval for Shirle's paycheck. Jeff Moyer gives Duane the support documentation for issuing approved scholarship checks. All checks are signed by two people. (**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.) Scholarship Committee – Susan Lucas reported that 21 scholarship have been awarded of which 15 are administered by COS directly. Thank you, Susan and your committee!
- B.) Scholarship Administration – Susan Lucas reported Jeff Moyer is doing a great job. (Donn Ritter is doing an adequate job as figurehead! ... I like See's Dark Chocolate Bordeaux candy! [happy face]) Thank you, Donn, Susan, Jeff, and your committee!
- C.) Grant Committee – Steve Chrisman reported all the grants have been presented. Steve mentioned some of the applications don't follow the grant application qualifications. Gerry Schneider will see if the qualifications need to be stated more clearly on the website. Well done, Steve and your Grant Committee!
- D.) Brewfest 2018 – Dru Quesnoy joyfully reported "Brewfest is over!" Her committee has already started planning for next year's event by holding wrap up meetings. Goals and ideas for next year include building a stronger relationship with the COS board for more communication and support; bringing back sausages and bar-b-q; and providing more wine in smaller wine glasses better suited to "tasting" and allowing the wine to go a little further (the little beer tasting glasses were adorable!) It was also mentioned to maintain the current Foundation President and the Foundation Past President on the committee for continuity. Efforts will be made to have students present in their easily recognizable shirts. It is hoped the date for next year will be about a week before school starts. 275 people attended and approximately \$45,000 was raised. The event is worth doing again, not only for fund raising but also raising awareness. Karl Weiss Fellowships were awarded during the event and it was suggested that a better venue would be to go to each club to award the Fellowships to their respective members to raise awareness and recognize donors. Status toward members' next Fellowship level would be available. (Thank you Dru, Eric, Gerry, and your committee!) Dru also said plans are being made for the end of year letter to be issued in November or early December and again in February or March. Todd Martin volunteered to help produce letters that include how much recipients need to donate to reach their next level of giving.

NEW BUSINESS

A.) New Business – President Elect for 2019-2020. The rotation of clubs to provide a Foundation president was discussed and stands as: Visalia Rotary Club, Visalia Sunset Rotary, Visalia County Center, Visalia Breakfast Rotary, and Visalia Latino Rotary. Since the current President represents the Visalia Rotary Club, the President Elect for 2019-2020 will be elected from Visalia Sunset Rotary. After discussion it was MOVED by Dru Quesnoy and seconded by Duane Scott to elect Ryan Purkiss as President Elect 2019-2020. Motion APPROVED. (Congratulations, Ryan!) It was also discussed to proactively seek a nominee from Visalia County Center.

NEXT MEETING: Next meeting will be Wednesday, September 26, 2018 at 7:00 am; meeting to be held at the Buckman-Mitchell, Inc. Community Room, 500 North Santa Fe Avenue, Visalia, CA. “Thank you!” for all you do!

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:30 a.m. (Thank you for a delightfully run meeting, Bruce!)

Francie Langley
Secretary

Foundation President Rotation History:

VBR – Lloyd Hicks	2017-2018
VRC - Bruce Nicotero	2018-2019
VSR – Ryan Purkiss	2019-2020
VCC	2020-2021
VLR	2021-2022
VBR	2022-2023