

## Pending Approval

### VISALIA ROTARY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Zoom Meeting  
October 27, 2020

Meeting called to order at 7:02 a.m. by Deborah Volosin, President.

**PRESENT** (\*indicates voting positions followed by applicable two or three-year term expiration year): Deborah Volosin (President\*, 2021), Eric Shannon (Executive Director\*; Director of Long-Range Fund Raising/Planned Giving\*, 2021), Duane Scott (Executive Secretary\*), Phil Hornburg (Vice President), Gary Simmons (Treasurer), Francie Langley (Secretary\*), Ryan Purkiss, (Immediate Past President\* and Director of Finance and Fellowships\*, 2021); Steve Chrisman (Director of Grants\*, 2021), Dru Quesnoy (Director of Marketing\*, 2022), Donn Ritter (Co-Director of Grants\*, 2023), Gerry Schneider (Director of Giving Administration and Tracking\*, 2021), Liz Wynn, (VRC\*, 2021) and Iris East (VBR\*, 2021). **ABSENT**: Anees Akhund (President Elect, 2021), Shirle Reynolds (Executive Assistant), Susan Lucas (Director of Scholarship Selection\*, 2022), Marty Zeeb (Major Projects Coordinator), Merritt Wiseman (VCC\*, 2021), Aron Gularte (VSR\*, 2021), and Gene Yunt (Financial Advisor).

**MINUTES:** The minutes of the September 22, 2020 meeting stand as presented. The spelling of the name of past president William Martin will be corrected in the list of past presidents.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Duane Scott reported the total balance in all the accounts was \$7,104,646.85 on October 19, 2020 compared to the balance of \$6,965,614.44 on September 14, 2020 (we hit the seven million mark! Woo Hoo!). Disbursements from the Dwelle Scholarship, Visalia Rotary Scholarship, Salierno Scholarship, and the COS President's Fund totaled \$23,500 during the month. Duane also presented the historical financial information since inception of the Foundation to June 30, 2020. Donations received have been \$4,563,413. \$2,364,226 has been granted to local non-profit organizations plus \$561,103 for The Respite House. Administrative Expenses have only been \$178,088 which is approximately 4% of donations received. During the most recent fiscal year over \$1,500,000 was received from an estate which substantially increased donations received. Donations remaining after grants and expenses was \$2,199,187. At June 30, 2020 the total value was \$6,643,918. (Wow! Well done!) It was suggested to share this information with the member clubs, but that task was not assigned. The financial report shall be filed.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- A.) Scholarship Committee – Phil Hornburg reported the Committee has been very active. It approved five vocational scholarships and is working with COS which has a list of 15 scholarship recipients. The Downtown Club received an accounting of their scholarship fund over the past couple of years. Duane Scott said he is working on an accounting since inception. Liz Wynn expressed her appreciation for receipt of the information.
- B.) Grant Committee – Steve Chrisman reported the committee has been inactive. That will change when the amount available to grant is received from Duane in January. Duane will

contact Marty Zeeb for an update on the status of Friends of the Fox fundraising that qualifies for the \$10,000 of matching funds the Foundation has approved.

- C.) Brewfest 2020 – Dru Quesnoy reported the committee has not met and the plan to make Brewfest 2020 a virtual event is still on hold. Tulare County Hope for the Homeless (TC Hope), is an organization created to build a low barrier shelter for the homeless. Our Foundation has earmarked \$20,000 from the 2020-2021 grant funds for this project. Phil Hornburg reported that the only application the City of Visalia has received for the old Caltrans Building has been from TC Hope. There is also another site available. Phil has received a positive response from many Rotarians interested in helping and moving forward on the project. The Committee will wait to go forward with plans for the virtual Brewfest when more is known.
- D.) Rotary in Visalia Centennial – Gerry Schneider reported the committee has been meeting and he has been giving presentations to all the member clubs. A list of specific needs for the Rotary Theater upgrade portion of the celebration is being prepared. Once the list is ready, the process of applying for grants may begin. Since the Foundation is an integral part of Rotary in Visalia and as such is part of the Centennial, the Centennial will constitute a “Major Project” for the Foundation and the Foundation will accept the receipts for the project. These receipts will qualify toward reaching donors’ Karl Weiss levels of giving. The Centennial project is three projects in one: upgrading the Rotary Theater, developing a History of Rotary in Visalia (including the history of each club and the Foundation,) and a party aka “event.” January 29, 2022 has been scheduled for the big “event.”
- E.) Meeting Location – Jeff Moyer has approved the conference room at Quail Park at Shannon Ranch as a meeting place for future Foundation Board meetings. The room will accommodate twenty people. Eric Shannon will contact Jeff for a possible start date. A tentative goal of January 2021 has been suggested.
- F.) Respite House – Deborah Volosin presented Respite House usage reports for July, August, and September. There was some use by hospital staff in July, but there has not been much use since then because the hospital was not open for visitors.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A.) President 2022-2023 - Phil Hornburg reminded the Board that a future Board president for the year 2022-2023 needs to be determined. The Rotary Club of Visalia is in rotation for that year. Board presidents must be a past president of their club. Steve Chrisman rejected the nomination in favor of continuing his current position. Susan Lucas and Susan Winey were nominated. Susan Lucas will be given the first chance to accept the nomination. Other past presidents who are still members include Karen Barron, Jim Hurlbutt, Paul Hurley, and Rocky Pipkin.
- B.) Sunshine News – Shirle Reynolds is recovering at home from heart surgery and doing well. She is expected to be on medical leave for a total of sixty to ninety days. She may be ready for low stress duties by January. Dru Quesnoy **MOVED** and it was seconded to send Shirle flowers. Motion **APPROVED**. Dru volunteered to arrange for flowers to be sent to Shirle. (We miss you Shirle! I especially miss you! The agenda is not the same without you! [happy face!])

**NEXT MEETING:** Next meeting will be at 7:00 am on Tuesday, November 24, 2020; location to be announced. "Thank you!" for all you do!

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 7:29 a.m.

Francie Langley  
Secretary

**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.

Foundation President Rotation Schedule:

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| VBR – Anees Akhund  | 2021-2022 |
| VRC –               | 2022-2023 |
| VSR –               | 2023-2024 |
| VCC –               | 2024-2025 |
| VLR – if reinstated |           |

***With appreciation and thanks, we honor our Past Presidents:***

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|----------------------|-----------|
| 28- Ryan Purkiss     | 2019-2020 |
| 27- Bruce Nicotero   | 2018-2019 |
| 26- Lloyd Hicks      | 2017-2018 |
| 25- Marty Zeeb       | 2016-2017 |
| 24- Donn Ritter      | 2015-2016 |
| 23- Gerry Schneider  | 2014-2015 |
| 22- Dale Bruder      | 2013-2014 |
| 21- Peter Golombeck  | 2012-2013 |
| 20- Laurie Tiesiera  | 2011-2012 |
| 19- Al Fischer       | 2010-2011 |
| 18- Marvin Hansen    | 2009-2010 |
| 17- William Martin   | 2008-2009 |
| 16- Paul Sonier      | 2007-2008 |
| 15- Bob Eurich       | 2006-2007 |
| 14- Eric Shannon     | 2005-2006 |
| 13- Gorden Bergthold | 2004-2005 |
| 12- Barbara Fuller   | 2003-2004 |
| 11- Dru Quesnoy      | 2002-2003 |
| 10- Dick Torrigino   | 2001-2002 |
| 9 - Don Estes        | 2000-2001 |
| 8 - H. R. Macklin    | 1999-2000 |
| 7 - Larry Benevento  | 1998-1999 |
| 6 - Gary Paden       | 1997-1998 |
| 5 - David Hyde       | 1996-1997 |

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| 4 - Philip Hornburg | 1995-1996 |
| 3 - Duane Scott     | 1994-1995 |
| 2 - Jim Cline       | 1993-1994 |
| 1 - Philip Hornburg | 1992-1993 |