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

Zoom Meeting November 24, 2020

Meeting called to order at 7:00 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\*), Anees Akhund (President Elect, 2021), Ryan Purkiss, (Immediate Past President\* and Director of Finance and Fellowships\*, 2021); Steve Chrisman (Director of Grants\*, 2021), Susan Lucas (Director of Scholarship Selection\*, 2022), Donn Ritter (Co-Director of Grants\*, 2023), Gerry Schneider (Director of Giving Administration and Tracking\*, 2021), Marty Zeeb (Major Projects Coordinator), Liz Wynn, (VRC\*, 2021) and Gene Yunt (Financial Advisor). ABSENT: Shirle Reynolds (Executive Assistant), Dru Quesnoy (Director of Marketing\*, 2022), Merritt Wiseman (VCC\*, 2021), Iris East (VBR\*, 2021), and Aron Gularte (VSR\*, 2021).

MINUTES: The minutes of the October 27, 2020 meeting stand as presented.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**: Duane Scott reported the total balance in all the accounts was \$7,193,728.77 on November 16, 2020 compared to the balance of \$7,104,646.85 on October 19, 2020. Disbursements from the Harrell Scholarship were \$2,000 during the month. Duane also presented the financial statements at-and-for the year ending June 30, 2020. The Foundation paid some grants earlier than usual due to the need created by the Pandemic. This makes grant expense look bigger than prior periods when it is merely a difference in timing. Receipts were larger than usual due to some very large one-time gifts. It was **MOVED** by Phil Hornburg and seconded by Steve Chrisman to approve the financial statements. Motion **APPROVED**. The financial report will be filed.

## OLD BUSINESS:

- A.) Scholarship Committee Susan Lucas reported she received twenty-six applications for fifteen available vocational scholarships. The committee will be looking at the applications and deciding on the fifteen finalists.
- B.) Grant Committee No report.
- C.) Brewfest 2020 No report.
- D.) Rotary in Visalia Centennial Gerry Schneider reported the committee will start the fundraising push at the beginning of 2021. 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. Gerry requested the names of general contractors who are Rotarians. He will reach out to them to become involved with the Rotary Theater project.

- E.) Meeting Location Eric Shannon reported that the conference room at Quail Park at Shannon Ranch will be available for us as a meeting location. He advised waiting until the Pandemic has settled a bit before meeting in person for the safety of the Quail Park residents and our board members.
- F.) President 2022-2023 Susan Lucas accepted the nomination to be the Foundation Board president for the fiscal year 2022 to 2023, with the provision she remains Director of Scholarship Selection. Phil Hornburg MOVED, and Gerry Schneider seconded the election of Susan Lucas as Foundation Board president for 2022 to 2023 fiscal. Motion APPROVED. Thank you, Susan!

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A.) Camp Nelson Cabin Gene Yunt reported contact with a person who would like to donate their cabin at Camp Nelson to the VRCF. She would like to continue using it for her lifetime. A life estate was suggested as an appropriate vehicle to accomplish this donation. As a life estate, the donor would be liable for maintenance, property taxes, insurance, etc. Eric Shannon will schedule a meeting of the Executive Committee to discuss this.
- B.) Nash Scholarship Phil Hornburg pointed out that the Nash Scholarship fund has fallen below the requisite \$100,000 and suggested informing Mr. Nash. Duane Scott suggested waiting until January to see if the value increased up to or over \$100,000. Eric Shannon will put this on the Executive Committee agenda for January.
- C.) Sunshine News Eric Shannon reported that Shirle Reynolds is recovering well from heart surgery. The surgery went well, and it is "just" a matter of healing. She may return to light duty after the first of the year. (Here is to you being better and better every day, Shirle!)

**NEXT MEETING**: Next meeting will be at 7:00 am on Tuesday, January 26, 2021; location to be announced. "Thank you!" for all you do!

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:48 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:

 VBR – Anees Akhund
 2021-2022

 VRC – Susan Lucas
 2022-2023

 VSR –
 2023-2024

 VCC –
 2024-2025

VLR – if reinstated