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

Quail Park at Shannon Ranch Conference Room
3440 West Flagstaff Avenue, Visalia, CA 93291
With a Zoom Option
October 24, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:02 a.m. by Cheri Barnes, President.

PRESENT (*indicates voting positions followed by applicable one or three-year term expiration year): Cheri Barnes (President*, 2024); Eric Shannon (Executive Director*; Director of Long-Range Fund Raising/Planned Giving*, 2024); Ryan Purkiss (Executive Secretary*; Director of Finance and Fellowships*, 2024); Gerry Schneider (Vice President*, 2024); Gary Simmons (Treasurer*, 2024); Francie Langley (Secretary*, 2024); Shirle Reynolds (Executive Assistant); Jeff Moyer (Director of Scholarship Administration*, 2024); Deborah Volosin (Director of Gift Recognition*, 2024); Marc Mertz (VRC*, 2024); Gene Yunt . **ABSENT**: Anees Akhund (Past President*, 2024; Director of Scholarship Selection*, 2025); Dru Quesnoy (Director of Public Relations and Marketing*, 2025; Director of Fund Raising/Events*, 2025); Donn Ritter (Director of Grants*, 2024; Co-Director of Fund Raising/Events, 2025); Tom Hornburg (President Elect, 2024); Karl Schoettler (VCC*, 2024); George Vasquez (VBR*, 2024); Matt Gaebe (VSR*, 2024); Phil Hornburg (Board Member Emeritus); Jeff Boswell (Financial Advisor); Vacant (President Nominee, 2024); Steve Chrisman (Board Member Emeritus); and Duane Scott (Board Member Emeritus).

A quorum is 33 1/3% of the nineteen-member voting Board which equals six directors; this meeting had **nine** votes in the form of **eleven** directors toward a quorum. A majority vote shall be sufficient to constitute action by the Board of Directors. When a director holds more than one directorship each directorship counts toward a quorum, but the director has only one vote.

MINUTES: The minutes of the meetings on September 26, 2023, stand as presented.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Gary Simmons reported the total balance in all the accounts was \$6,178,614.60 (total assets: \$6,906,715.01) as of October 19, 2023, compared to the balance of \$6,320,219.12 (total assets: \$7,099,135.16) as of September 21, 2023. \$1,000 was disbursed during the month for the Salierno Scholarship. All of the clubs have paid their dues for the year.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A.) Scholarship Committee – No report.
- B.) Grant Committee – No report.
- C.) Respite House – No report.
- D.) Wine & Cheese Reception – Eric Shannon reported the date is set for December 12, 2023, 5:30 pm at Quail Park Shannon Ranch.
- E.) Rotary Theater – Gerry Schneider reported the down payment on the stage lighting was recently paid. He met with facility and grounds people. They are receptive to fixing up

the landscaping and have already cleaned out some of the bushes and pruned the trees. The landscape architect had too much “stuff” in the plans and Gerry asked for less “stuff.” Visalia Unified needs to work on the irrigation system. Once completed all the clubs that want to help can participate in a planting day. The estimated completion is projected for some time in Spring. Eric Shannon happened by the theater and observed students walking through the current plants. Gerry indicated use of sturdy plants is anticipated. (... maybe concrete plants? Razor wire? Poisonous snakes?)

- F.) Website – Gerry Schneider reported Gabby has been Updating site content. Gary Simmons reported that Gabby is being paid. It was discussed asking Gabby to attend our meetings so she will be aware of what to post on the website. Gerry reminded us of increasing her monthly payment if we want her to come to our meetings. President Cheri will send Gabby an email.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. No new business

NEXT MEETING: Next meeting will be at 7:00 am on December 12, 2023, at Quail Park at Shannon Ranch conference room, 3440 W. Flagstaff Avenue, Visalia, CA with a Zoom option. “Thank you!” for all you do for The Foundation and our community!

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:11 a.m. (It was suggested that there be no term limits to Cheri’s presidency! Well done, Cheri!)

Francie Langley
Secretary

Foundation President Rotation Schedule:

VCC – Tom Hornburg 2024-2025

VLR – if reinstated

VBR

VRC

With appreciation and thanks, we honor our Past Presidents:

31- Susan Lucas 2022-2023

30- Anees Akhund 2021-2022

29- Deborah Volosin 2020-2021

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