

**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  
December 7, 2016

Meeting called to order at 7:02 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\*), Larry Benevento (Treasurer; Director of Planned Giving\*), Phil Hornburg (Vice President), Francie Langlely (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), Steve Perry (Director of Scholarship Administration\*), Ryan Purkiss (Director of Finance\*), Dru Quesnoy (Director of Marketing\*), Jon Pree (VRC\*), Suzanna "SAM" Aguilera-Marrero (VLR\*), and special guests: Cash Shannon, and Kingston Shannon. **ABSENT**: Susan Lucas (Director of Scholarship Selection\*), Deborah Volosin (VCC\*), Scott James (VBR\*), Barbra Hood (VSR\*), Lina Contreras (Pres. Visalia Latino Rotary Club (VLR), Gerry Schneider (Director of Nothing), Don Hutton, Gary Paden, Paul Sonier, and Gene Yunt.

**MINUTES:** The minutes of the October 26, 2016 meeting were accepted as presented.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Duane Scott reported the total balance in all the accounts was \$4,553,702.20 at December 5, 2016 compared to \$4,520,407.71 at October 24, 2016. The increase is a result of improved market performance. Since the last meeting \$5,500 was disbursed for scholarships and a grant of \$5,000 was paid to the Monson School Music Program according to the terms of the agreement with the Wahlen Fund. Total collected for the Respite House to date is \$303,702.69; \$449,514.26 has been disbursed toward the Respite House. The final bill from B J Perch has been received and will be paid soon. The Respite House came in under budget thanks to B J Perch, Don Hutton, and multiple subcontractors donating much of their profits. **(Reminder)** The Foundation is now registered with Amazon Smile Foundation. Shop online at [smile.amazon.com](http://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 – Dru Quesnoy reported the house has been used three or four times. One side has incurred some challenges which are expected to be repaired soon. The Social Workers at the hospital screen possible residents based on need. Thanks to Phil Hornburg and Dru Quesnoy for their dedication to this project.
- B.) Grant Committee – Steve Chrisman reported that the committee will start reviewing applications in April with grant awards to be distributed by July 1<sup>st</sup>.
- C.) Scholarship Committee – Steve Perry reported scholarships are up to date, but he needs the information regarding the funds COS received and awarded for scholarships.

- D.) St. Patrick's Day Party – Eric Shannon said if we decide to hold this event he needs to schedule the singing group, Terra Bella, who has offered to participate in a fundraiser for Valley Children's Hospital. Hopefully the proceeds can be earmarked for local projects conducted by Valley Children's Hospital.
- E.) Other Old Business – The Visalia Latino Club still needs to fulfill their commitment of \$1,500 to join the foundation. Originally this was going to be met by obtaining a grant for the Splash Park. Since the Splash Park was canceled the club contribution has been forgotten. Reminder: Clubs are the members of the Foundation, not the individuals in the clubs. A club joins the Foundation with an initial financial amount and then each year is responsible to contribute dues equal to \$50 per member. The annual dues can be paid by either the club or members contributing towards a Karl Weiss Fellow.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

A.) Year End Giving – Spread the word and remind clubs and their members to consider the Foundation in their year-end contributions. There is still time for donors of \$1,000 to the Respite House to have their name included on the recognition plaque.

**NEXT MEETING:** Next meeting will be Wednesday, January 25, 2017 at 7 a.m., Buckman-Mitchell, Inc. Community Room, 500 North Santa Fe Avenue, Visalia, CA. Happy Holidays!

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 7:38 a.m.

Francie Langley  
Secretary