

APPROVED

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

Zoom Meeting
May 25, 2021

Meeting called to order at 7:01 a.m. by Deborah Volosin, President.

PRESENT (*indicates voting positions followed by applicable one 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, 2021), Gary Simmons (Treasurer, 2021), Francie Langley (Secretary*, 2021), Anees Akhund (President Elect, 2021), Shirle Reynolds (Executive Assistant), Steve Chrisman (Director of Grants*, 2021), Susan Lucas (Director of Scholarship Selection*, 2023), Ryan Purkiss, (Immediate Past President*, 2021, and Director of Finance and Fellowships*, 2021); Donn Ritter (Co-Director of Grants, 2021), Gerry Schneider (Director of Giving Administration and Tracking*, 2021), Marty Zeeb (Major Projects Coordinator, 2021), Liz Wynn, (VRC*, 2021), Merritt Wiseman (VCC*, 2021), Iris East (VBR*, 2021. **ABSENT**: Jeff Moyer (Director of Scholarship Administration*, 2023), Dru Quesnoy (Director of Marketing*, 2023), Aron Gularte (VSR*, 2021), and Gene Yunt (Financial Advisor).

A quorum is 51% of the seventeen-member voting Board which equals nine directors; this meeting had **fourteen** quorum votes in the form of **twelve** directors. When revised bylaws are accepted a quorum will be 33 1/3% of the sixteen-member Board (six directorships.) 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 April 27, 2021 meeting stand as presented. (Motion to approve is not required.)

FINANCIAL REPORT: Duane Scott reported the total balance in all the accounts was \$7,699,222.98 on May 17, 2021 compared to the balance of \$7,770,736.42 on April 19, 2021. The decrease is due to market fluctuations. The financial report will be filed. (The financial report is just that: a report; motion to approve is not required.)

OLD BUSINESS:

- A.) Scholarship Committee – Susan Lucas reported the two STEM scholarships, the Nash scholarship, Provident Salierno Scholarship, and the four-year scholarships have been awarded. The donors received the names of the recipients. Thank you, Susan and your committee for a job well done!
- B.) Grant Committee – Steve Chrisman reported the Grant Committee chose seven non-profits and anticipates presenting their grant recipient recommendations at the next Board

meeting. Two Grant Committee members are retiring and there is a need for two new volunteers.

- C.) Rotary in Visalia Centennial – Gerry Schneider reported VUSD is spearheading the work on the Rotary Theater. The chair contract is about to be signed at a cost of a little over \$96,000 and includes removal of the old chairs; Mangini is reviewing it. An initial deposit of 25% is required. The chairs are scheduled to be installed after the house lighting, painting, and flooring. A new sign has been proposed with lighting and possibly electronically controlled. Updated landscaping and access are also planned. The event fundraising will kick off with the mailing of the “Save the Date” cards this week. Elements of Rotary Theater history are requested; Gerry received many history source suggestions.
- D.) Camp Nelson Cabin – No report; still need a face-to-face meeting.
- E.) Website Update – Gerry Schneider reported the site will go live later this week. Shirle Reynolds and Gary Simmons are working on a PayPal link. The stories behind the giving levels will be included in the website information. Website accessors interested in Crystal Commitment, i.e., Planned Giving, will be directed to our Director of Planned Giving, Eric Shannon.
- F.) Bylaws – We have not received the signed page from Visalia Breakfast Rotary. Anees Akhund will contact Breakfast Rotary and request they submit their signed page.
- G.) T.C. Hope – Phil Hornburg reported that with the donation from the VRCF and an anonymous donor, T.C. Hope was able to demonstrate enough financial depth to receive the City of Visalia grant. The next step is to obtain bids and then it may take a year or a year and a half to bring the project to completion. Thanks to committee members, Marty Zeeb and Merritt Wiseman, for monitoring the architectural progress.
- H.) Other Old Business – Dru Quesnoy is building a PowerPoint for the website and for Foundation education presentations. Programs planned for the VRCF member clubs, including the awarding of a couple of grants each, are scheduled as follows:
 - Visalia Breakfast Rotary Club – 6:30 am, July 15, 2021 at the Visalia Country Club
 - Rotary Club of Visalia – Noon, July 21, 2021 at the Marriott Hotel
 - Visalia County Center Rotary Club – Noon, August 3, 2021 at the Lampliter Inn
 - Visalia Sunset Rotary Club – 5:30 p.m., August 9, 2021, at the Rawhide

NEW BUSINESS:

Elections – Phil Hornburg **MOVED**, Steve Chrisman seconded, the slate of officers and directors to be elected and reaffirmed at the next VRCF Board meeting:

For the year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 -

President: Anees Akhund

President Elect: Susan Lucas

Immediate Past President: Deborah Volosin

Vice President: Phil Hornburg

Treasurer: Gary Simmons

Secretary: Frances Langley

Major Projects Coordinator: Marty Zeeb

Co-Director of Grants: Donn Ritter

Rotary Club of Visalia Representative: Scott Jacobsen

Visalia County Center Rotary Club Representative

For the year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 (continued) –
Visalia Breakfast Rotary Club Representative
Visalia Sunset Rotary Club Representative

For the period July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2024 -
Director of Long-Range Fund Raising/Planned Giving: Eric Shannon
Director of Grants: Steve Chrisman
Director of Finance and Fellowships: Ryan Purkiss
Director of Giving Administration and Tracking: Gerry Schneider

Reaffirm for the period ending June 30, 2023 –
Director of Scholarship Selection: Susan Lucas
Director of Marketing: Dru Quesnoy
Director of Scholarship Administration: Jeff Moyer

Reaffirm on-going Directors:
Executive Director: Eric Shannon
Executive Secretary: Duane Scott

Motion **APPROVED**.

NEXT MEETING: Next meeting will be at 7:00 am on Tuesday, June 22, 2021; location expected to be Quail Park at Shannon Ranch and will be confirmed by Eric Shannon. “Thank you!” for all you do!

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:38 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

With appreciation and thanks, we honor our Past Presidents:

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