

Pending approval

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

Zoom Meeting
December 7, 2021

Meeting called to order at 7:00 a.m. by Anees Akhund, President.

PRESENT (*indicates voting positions followed by applicable one or three-year term expiration year): Anees Akhund (President*, 2022), Phil Hornburg (Vice President, 2022), Gary Simmons (Treasurer, 2022), Francie Langley (Secretary*, 2022), Susan Lucas (President Elect, 2022 and Director of Scholarship Selection*, 2023), Deborah Volosin (Immediate Past President*, 2022), Shirle Reynolds (Executive Assistant), Dru Quesnoy (Director of Marketing*, 2023), Donn Ritter (Co-Director of Grants, 2022), Gerry Schneider (Director of Giving Administration and Tracking*, 2024), Scott Jacobsen, (VRC*, 2022). **ABSENT**: Eric Shannon (Executive Director*; Director of Long-Range Fund Raising/Planned Giving*, 2024), Duane Scott (Executive Secretary*), Steve Chrisman (Director of Grants*, 2024), Jeff Moyer (Director of Scholarship Administration*, 2023), Ryan Purkiss, (Director of Finance and Fellowships*, 2024); Marty Zeeb (Major Projects Coordinator, 2022), Samantha Rummage-Mathias (VCC*, 2022), Mike Ashoori (VBR*, 2022), Laura Dimmer (VSR*, 2022).

A quorum is 33 1/3% of the sixteen-member voting Board which equals six directors; this meeting had **seven** quorum votes in the form of **seven** directors. 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 October 26, 2021, meeting stand as presented. (Motion to approve is not required.)

FINANCIAL REPORT: Gary Simmons reported the total balance in all the accounts was \$8,004,437.18 on November 29, 2021, compared to the balance of \$7,969,673.72 on October 22, 2021. (Wow! Over \$8 million! Another milestone!) \$2,000 was disbursed for scholarships during the month. \$150,160 has been received for Centennial sponsorships as of the date of the report. A total of \$146,769.38 has been disbursed towards refurbishing the Rotary Theater. The financial report will be filed. (The financial report is a report; motion to approve is not required.)

OLD BUSINESS:

- A.) Scholarship Committee – Susan Lucas reported six vocational scholarships were awarded. This is a good number for the time of year and applications for Harrell scholarships have increased. Donn Ritter will contact Tim Foster at COS for information on the scholarships awarded to the President’s Scholars.
- B.) Grant Committee – Donn Ritter reported the committee will resume activities in January when applications are expected and available grant funds will be determined.
- C.) Rotary in Visalia Centennial – Gerry Schneider reported the seats have arrived (Yay!) The chairs look great, and the fabric matches the acoustic panels on the walls. External work

on the sidewalk, curbing, and flower beds has started. The access door to the stage was blocked by shrubbery which has been removed and a loading dock is being installed. Carpeting is expected to be installed next week after the chairs are in place. The electronic sign should be functional by January. Good job, Gerry! Dru Quesnoy reported formal invitations should have arrived in recipients' mail. Kudos to Dru! Ticket sales are a focus now. 216 seats have been sold so far with a goal of 400. All the clubs have given histories to Bruce Nicotero. Kudos to Scott Jacobsen for his hard work and success gaining sponsorships which currently total \$181,548, not including the pledges from the clubs and the Foundation.

- D.) VRCF Director for T.C. Hope – Dru reported a video about T.C. Hope is ready to air on social media and to begin the media campaign. Gerry said he can put a page and a link on the Foundation website to link to the T.C. Hope website. Dru received guidance on the use of the Foundation grant by T.C. Hope which is to be used for bricks and mortar. Donn Ritter is meeting with Sam Logan to discuss joining the board of T.C. Hope.
- E.) Website and Facebook Update – Gerry Schneider requested board members let him know about corrections and updates needed for the website.
- F.) Foundation Board President for the year 2023 to 2024 – Donn Ritter reported that Cheri Barnes of the Visalia Sunset Rotary Club has agreed to be President for the year 2023 to 2024. Thank you, Cheri and thank you, Donn! (This will be voted on at the next meeting. [smiley face])

NEW BUSINESS:

NEXT MEETING: Next meeting will be at 7:00 am on January 25, 2022, Zoom or in person to be determined. “Thank you!” for all you do for The Foundation and our community!

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:26 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:

VRC – Susan Lucas	2022-2023
VSR – Cheri Barnes	2023-2024
VCC –	2024-2025
VLR – if reinstated	
VBR	

With appreciation and thanks, we honor our Past Presidents:

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
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