

Approved – August 27, 2019

**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
July 23, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7:00 a.m. by Ryan Purkiss, President.

PRESENT (*indicates voting positions): Ryan Purkiss, (President*; Director of Finance*, 2021), Eric Shannon (Executive Chairman*; Director of Long-Range Fund Raising/Planned Giving*, 2021), Duane Scott (Executive Secretary/Treasurer*), Phil Hornburg (Vice President), Anees Akhund (Treasurer), Francie Langley (Secretary*), Shirle Reynolds (Executive Assistant), Bruce Nicotero (Immediate Past President 2018-2019*, 2020), Deborah Volosin (President Elect), Steve Chrisman (Director of Grants*, 2021), Susan Lucas (Director of Scholarship Selection*, 2020), Donn Ritter (Director of Scholarship Administration*, 2020), Gerry Schneider (Giving Administration/Tracking*, 2021), Doug Arnold (VRC*; Web Designer), Cheri Barnes (VSR*), Sarahelena Martinez (VLR*), Lina Contreras, and Paul Hurley. **ABSENT**: Dru Quesnoy (Director of Marketing*, 2020), Marty Zeeb (Major Projects Coordinator), Steven McCartha (VCC*), Mark Brackett (VBR*), and Gene Yunt.

MINUTES: The minutes of the June 25, 2019 meeting were approved as presented.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Duane Scott reported the total balance in all the accounts was \$5,251,975.89 at July 18, 2019 compared to the balance of \$5,254,364.85 at June 19, 2019. Grant checks were written for a total of \$102,000. The financial report shall be filed. **(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.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A.) Scholarship Committee – Susan Lucas had nothing to report.
- B.) Grant Committee – Steve Chrisman reported the member clubs are presenting the grant checks.
- C.) Brewfest – Donn Ritter reported approximately \$40,000 in sponsorships has been pledged and/or collected, but there have been only 40 tickets sold. Member clubs were asked to donate nine to ten bottles of wine for tasting, to promote ticket sales, and request volunteers to help greet, serve, etc. General admission is \$50 and volunteers receive a VIP ticket at the general admission price. The goal for this fundraiser is \$50,000. Donn explained that the date for the Brewfest was chosen because school is not session which means the location is free and available because the athletes aren't using it, parking is available, and the ice is available at no cost because the athletes don't need it. Total expense for the event is approximately \$1,500.

NEW BUSINESS

- A.) Elections – Phil Hornburg **MOVED** and Paul Hurley seconded to elect/confirm the following as Visalia Rotary Community Foundation Board Members (*indicates voting positions): Ryan Purkiss (President*, confirmed; Director of Finance*, 2021, confirmed), Eric Shannon (Executive Director*, elected; Director of Long-Range Fund Raising/Planned Giving*, 2021, confirmed), Duane Scott (Executive Secretary/Treasurer*, elected), Phil Hornburg (Vice President, elected), Anees Akhund (Treasurer, elected), Francie Langley (Secretary*, elected), Deborah Volosin (President Elect, elected), Steve Chrisman (Director of Grants*, 2021, confirmed), Susan Lucas (Director of Scholarship Selection*, 2020, confirmed), Dru Quesnoy (Director of Marketing*, 2020, confirmed), Donn Ritter (Director of Scholarship Administration*, 2020, confirmed), Gerry Schneider (Giving Administration/Tracking*, 2021, confirmed), and Marty Zeeb (Major Projects Coordinator, elected). Motion **APPROVED**. Position of Bruce Nicotero as Immediate Past President is automatic and as such is not included in the slate to be elected/confirmed. Each Foundation member club appoints a representative; these positions are not included in the slate of positions elected/confirmed; Douglas Arnold (VRC*), Steven McCartha (VCC*), Mark Brackett (VBR*), Cheri Barnes (VSR*), and Sarahelena Martinez (VLC*).
- B.) Executive Committee Formalization – Phil Hornburg **MOVED** and Eric Shannon seconded that the Executive Committee be comprised of the following positions: President, Executive Director, Executive Secretary/Treasurer, Vice President, Director of Grants, Director of Giving Administration/Tracking, and Director of Scholarship Selection. Motion **APPROVED**.
- C.) Specific Bequest – Phil Hornburg announced the Foundation will be the recipient of \$1,500,000 from the estate of a Dinuba resident. The estate beneficiaries consist of five charities and the Foundation is the only beneficiary in Tulare County. Although there are no restrictions on the use of the funds, it was the hope of the donor that the funds benefit the children of Tulare County. In addition to a memorial for the donor, the Executive Committee is planning to recommend funding of the grants to the Munson-Sultana School Music Program for five years and to provide three College of the Sequoias Presidential Scholars Scholarships in addition to the ten the Foundation already supports.
- D.) Other New Business –Gerry Schneider will provide Doug Arnold with a copy of the Bylaws to post on the new website for the Foundation that Doug is developing.

NEXT MEETING: *Reminder: Regular meetings are now on Tuesdays.* Next meeting will be Tuesday, August 27, 2019 at 7:00 am; meeting to be held at the Buckman-Mitchell, Inc. Community Room, 500 North Santa Fe Avenue, Visalia, CA. “Thank you!” for all you do!

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:22 a.m. (Well done, Ryan!)

Francie Langley
Secretary

Foundation President Rotation Schedule:
VCC – Deborah Volosin 2020-2021
VLR – 2021-2022

VBR – Anees Akhund	2022-2023
VRC –	2023-2024
VSR –	2024-2025

Past Presidents:

Dale Bruder	2013-2014
Gerry Schneider	2014-2015
Donn Ritter	2015-2016
Marty Zeeb	2016-2017
Lloyd Hicks	2017-2018
Bruce Nicotero	2018-2019