

Minutes
Fifty-fourth Regular Meeting of the Boulder Junction Community
Foundation Board Meeting
Monday, June 15, 2015
Boulder Junction Community Building, Conference Room

"Our Mission: To preserve and enhance Boulder Junction for present and future generations."

Present: Dennis Aukstik (2016), Barbara Boston (2017), Leslie Gauberti (2016), Irene Gravelle (2015), Barb Konopacki (2015), Craig Mason (2015), Lois Smith (2016), and Mary Van Grinsven (2016). Dave Osborn (2017) and Parker Sterner (2016) were excused. Guests were Tom Basting, Sr., Michelle Mauzer, and Gary Plouff.

Call to Order and Agenda for the Meeting:

The June meeting was called to order by President Dennis Aukstik at 6:02 p.m.

The meeting's agenda was emailed out to the BJCF Board. Craig Mason moved, seconded by Mary Van Grinsven, to approve the agenda. Motion carried. (See attached agenda.)

Welcome to Guests:

Tom Basting, Sr., Michelle Mauzer, and Gary Plouff were welcomed to the meeting by President Aukstik. Tom Basting, Sr. shared his background with the Board and his interest in the Boulder Junction Community Foundation.

Minutes of the May 18th Meeting:

Upon a motion by Leslie Gauberti, seconded by Lois Smith, the minutes were approved. The secretary will distribute the approved minutes to the Foundation's email list.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Leslie Gauberti gave her May report to the Board. The general checking account began the month of May with a balance of \$5,360.49 and ended the month with a balance of \$6,001.50. The seasonal raffle account began the month at \$1,319.69 and ended the month with a balance of \$2,009.69. The undesignated (operations and discretionary) fund started the month at \$256.46 and ended the month with a balance of \$10,845.95, reflecting the receipts from the Treasure Bazaar in May.

Lois Smith moved, seconded by Irene Gravelle, to file the May Treasurer's Report for audit. Motion carried.

Gauberti shared some new reports with the Board: Restricted Endowment Fund-Fundraising Status 2015 and 2015 Event Net Proceeds and Distribution as of June 15, 2015. The total Endowment Fund balance reported on that date was

\$109,483.65, and \$9,071.22 has been donated directly to the Foundation so far this year.

Irene Gravelle made the motion, seconded by Barb Konopacki, to approve payment of \$960 to Walleye Bob for the annual rental of two units. Motion carried.

Gauberti distributed the corrected page 12 of the Financial Statements prepared by Wipfli to all members of the Board for replacement of the original page 12. She also reported that there are now 43 Neighbors. The next item she distributed to the Board was the Operations Calendar which will be reviewed at each month's Board meeting.

President's Report:

President Aukstik reiterated the \$50,000.00 goal for the Endowment Fund in 2015 and \$7,500 goal for the Operating Budget. The latter has now been met with the proceeds from the Treasure Bazaar.

He again reminded the Board of the one vacancy on the Board and the need to recruit directors.

Board members discussed the benefits of Tom Basting, Sr., joining the Foundation as a consultant. Mary Van Grinsven moved, seconded by Barb Konopacki, to accept Tom Basting, Sr., as a consultant to the Board. Motion carried, and Tom Basting, Sr., was welcomed to this position with the Board.

Aukstik then asked the Board to consider opening a stock brokerage account with the firm of Michael E. Smith, an affiliate of Ameriprise Financial. Leslie Gaubeti moved, seconded by Barbara Boston, that we arrange to set up a stock brokerage account with that firm as represented by Bob Von Holdt when stocks are donated to the Foundation. The Board's current policy of immediate sale of such stocks will remain in effect. Motion carried.

Gary Plouff introduced himself to the Board and indicated that he would like to join the Fund Raising committee. He has signed the Conflict of Interest policy of the Board and was welcomed to this committee of the Board.

Committee Reports:

The Finance Committee had no report for the Board this meeting.

The Fundraising Committee reported that contacts are being made with those in the Founders Circle who have donated \$10,000 or more to the Community Center Building Fund and other Foundation accounts. The next step will be to contact those who have donated \$5,000 or up to \$10,000. Then plans are being laid to move to actual fundraising through the committee. The previously discussed postcard is being prepared for mailing to all Boulder Junction residents and neighboring stakeholders, totaling approximate 1,500 households.

The Publicity and Community Relations Committee held no meeting, but Irene Gravelle reported that publicity releases are being issued for events as they come up in the summer.

The Grants Committee had no report, but the paving of the Library's Reading Garden is now scheduled. Pictures will be taken as the improvements are made.

2014 Colorama Dinner and People's Choice Awards Committee: Barbara Boston reported that tickets will be ready by June 20th. There are no changes in prices this year and no refunds again this year. No carryouts this year since the need was so low last year. The sponsorship program will remain the same as last year. The Lions will again be asked to assist with parking as in past years. The Fire Department will be asked to assist also. The Lioness, North Lakeland School and the Foundation will assist with pie plating and table setting on Saturday, September 19, beginning at 10:30 a.m. All Foundation Board members are asked to help for at least one hour in the morning. The take home items for all attendees will possibly be the Foundation pen and other items which will be announced by mid-August. Lois Smith and Carol Klisnick are making arrangement for door prizes. Doors will open at 5:00 p.m. for the Silent Auction featuring Peeplures jewelry and also shrimp cocktail appetizers. Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. sharp. Pies will be picked up on Friday from Chad at The Bakery.

The People's Choice boxes have all been installed with a few exceptions. Dennis Aukstik expressed the Board's appreciation to Jeff Long and Barbara Boston for completing these arrangements once again. A note was made to incorporate these early Colorama Dinner tasks with the Foundation's Operations Calendar of events that Leslie Gauberti circulated to the Board.

Report on Foundation Treasure Bazaar:

The proceeds from the Bazaar were covered in the Treasurer's report. All were thanked for helping make this another successful fundraiser for the Foundation's operating expenses.

2015 Raffle:

Prizes for this year's Raffle include the grand prize of the handmade canoe by Parker Sterner, a bicycle from Coontails and the second prize of one of the historic Boulder banners. Ticket sales are ahead of last year's sales Craig Mason reported. Mason is tracking the annual ticket sales for the Foundation.

Website Revisions:

Leslie Gauberti reported that the revision to the Foundation website is close to being finished and going live. A training session will be held next Tuesday, June 23, at 2:00 p.m. for anyone interested in attending.

Calendar Items:

The President reminded the Board of the up-coming calendar items, especially the July 4th events. Foundation help is not needed this year for the Boulder Junction Volunteer Fire Department's BBQ Chicken Dinner. Aukstik reminded the Board to sign up to help sell Raffle Tickets there that day.

2015 Foundation Brochure:

Leslie Gauberti noted that 1,000 copies of the 2015 Foundation Brochure will be printed, and everyone was thanked for helping her with that project.

Fourth of July Parade Entry:

Registration has been completed and plans were reviewed for the Foundation's entry in the parade. Dave Osborn has volunteered the use of his red Jeep to pull the canoe in the parade.

May Newsletter:

This newsletter was emailed to all recipients on the Foundation email list, compiled from Neighbors, donors and other interested individuals. The next issue will be scheduled for early September before the Colorama Dinner.

Correspondence:

The only correspondence was an invitation from the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin, Wausau, to attend a donor event on Tuesday, June 23.

Other Business:

Barbara Boston stated that at least eight Lions, eight Lioness, the Fire Department, and at least 30 people from North Lakeland School will again be assisting at the Colorama Dinner along with the involvement of the Camp Manitowish staff and the Chamber staff which sells tickets and takes reservations to make this truly a "community" event. It was suggested that a name tag be ordered for Olivia Soltow and others who will be helping the Foundation at the Colorama Dinner.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m. by President Aukstik.

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Irene Gravelle, Secretary