

Minutes
Eighth Meeting of the Boulder Junction Community Foundation Board
Monday, April 18, 2011
Boulder Junction Community Center

Present: Dennis Aukstik, Leslie Gauberti, Irene Gravelle, Gene Klisnick, Barb Konopacki, Craig Mason, Krista Maurer and Amy Wheeler of the BJCF Board. Jim Hornbrook had an excused absence. Ray and Cathy Schneider, Theresa Smith, Jim Tait of the Chamber were special guests as well as Carol Klisnick.

Call to Order and Agenda for the Meeting:

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Amy Wheeler. The meeting's agenda was emailed out to the BJCF Board. Upon a motion by Dennis Aukstik, second by Gene Klisnick, the agenda was approved by the BJCF Board. (See attached agenda.)

Welcome and Introduction of Guests:

Barb Konopacki had invited the Chamber representatives to share information about the Colorama Dinner with the BJCF Board. They were introduced and Cathy Schneider shared some of the procedures from past dinners.

In the discussion which followed, Gene Klisnick raised the question of serving chicken quarters instead of the chicken pieces at the dinner. Jim Tait pointed out that every year there is lots of chicken left so guests could have more if they wanted it. In trying to be cost effective, chicken (extra clean) has been ordered from Sysco. Tait stressed that the waiters should be trained to ask if guests want more than the 3 breasts, 3 thighs, and 3 drumsticks on each tray.

Discussion followed as to whether or not soup (Wheeler's squash soup) would make a suitable replacement to the wild game stew. Theresa reminded the group that the wild game stew is a big draw for many guests. Cathy pointed out that her family usually donates sixty to seventy pounds of cleaned venison from their fall hunts. Theresa also shared that Mike Spoerke has offered to make wild game appetizers for the Colorama Dinner this year.

Details on supplies (styrofoam cups, baking sheets, and Sysco orders) were discussed. Delivery of food can be made to the Camp or to Amy Wheeler's restaurant. Paper supplies came from Sam's or the Chamber's supplies. Supplies are not an important cost factor.

300 is the maximum number for ticket sales for the Colorama Dinner. The Chamber is willing to sell the tickets and has had them done by June in the past. Traditionally, 20 or 30 are sold at the door.

Barb Konopacki said that there are 20 students in this class so there should be adequate student help for the dinner. She and Gene Klisnick will be meeting with the students and parents. Tait reminded everyone to keep the fun in the dinner for all helpers and guests.

Klisnick raised the question of door prizes. If doing a raffle, a raffle license is required. While the BJCF has decided not to take any proceeds from the ticket sales, a raffle would generate some profits for the BJCF.

Other details: Price of tickets could continue at \$12.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children 12 and under. Advertising could continue as in the past. Tait also recommended the continued cooperation of the churches for desserts. There is a separate checkbook for the dinner, and this will be turned over to the BJCF. The Lions (4-8 people) can assist with parking. Cathy Schneider will help in the kitchen. She pointed out that having enough people is key to success. Ray and Jim will help with the venison cleaning and prep. Liaison names at Camp Manitowish were also shared. Solar lights are available and can be borrowed. Tip jars for the students are at NLES.

The Chamber members were thanked for their information and generous offers to continue helping as the Foundation makes the transition to sponsoring the event.

Minutes of the March 28, 2011, Meeting:

Upon a motion by Gene Klisnick, second by Dennis Aukstik, the minutes of March 28, 2011, were accepted as distributed.

The minutes will be filed and emailed to those on the Foundation email list.

Treasurer's Report:

Leslie Gauberti, Treasurer, reported on the receipts and expenditures (none) for March. End of March checking account balance was \$287.99. In the BJCF Restricted Endowment Fund \$17.96 was listed as revenues with \$37.50 of expenses, leaving a \$411.65 balance in that fund. Her treasurer's report was accepted upon a motion by Dennis Aukstik, second by Barb Konopacki. Motion carried, and the report will be filed for audit. Leslie will talk to Michelle Mauer at Citizens' Bank and Cathy Schneider about "cash accounting" procedures for now.

President's Report:

Amy Wheeler reported that the meeting with Jean Tehan of the CFONCW is set for Tuesday, April 26, at 10 a.m. at the Little Creek Coffee Company in Woodruff. Representatives of the Library Board as well as the BJCF will be in

attendance. A planning meeting to establish some of the questions to ask Jean Tehan will be held at 2 p.m. the day before.

Wheeler invited everyone to the “Business After Hours” event to be held at the Outdoorsman on April 28 from 5-7 p.m. This is a social gathering to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the restaurant, too. A wishing well or bucket to benefit the BJCF could be placed at the event she said.

Website Status and Review:

Leslie Gauberti and Jim Hornbrook have worked with Calm Waters Solution on the website. Gauberti shared that she has the login name and passwords for all, but Jim and Leslie will coordinate changes and additions to the website. Right now PDFs can not be put in. Upon a motion by Dennis Aukstik, second by Amy Wheeler, the bill for \$120 to Calm Waters Solutions will be paid for the website. Motion carried.

Wheeler will take care of contacting CFONCW about adding the Colorama Dinner to their September calendar of events.

Calendar Items:

- Meet on Monday, April 25, 2 p.m., at the Outdoorman to formulate questions for meeting with Jean Tehan
- Joint Meeting in Woodruff with Jean Tehan and the BJCF and the Boulder Jct. Library Board representatives at the Little Creek Coffee Company: April 26, 10 a.m.
- May 2, 6:30 p.m.: Fundraising Committee meeting
- Jeff Long Appreciation Event on May 22, 1-4 p.m.: BJCF will be serving
- June 13, 7:00 p.m.: Public Information Meeting with the Lions
- June 20, 6:30 p.m.: 2nd Public Information Meeting by BJCF for the public–Get information to Sherry Lucas
- September 17: Colorama Dinner–SAVE THE DATE!

Report on Local Candidate Forum:

The March 21 Candidate Forum was another success. Thanks were expressed for all who helped in any way with the event. Letters were sent to Jim Tait and to John Ader for their moderator roles.

The 501 (c)(3) Application Update:

Nothing has been received from the IRS on this application.

Wisconsin Charitable Organization Application:

Leslie Gauberti has filed the application. The Board will be kept apprised of its status.

Planning Public Information Meeting:

The June 20th meeting is set for 6:30 p.m. It was agreed that the slide show should be reviewed and updated for this public information meeting. Leslie Gauberti will work on that.

Beer and Wine Tasting Event:

This event, set for the Outdoorsman on August 13, was tabled until the May meeting.

Lakes Association Meetings and BJCF Coverage:

Leslie Gauberti has some of the email addresses for the associations. There is the High/Fishtrap/Rush Lake Association, the Boulder Lake Association (Dennis Reuss contact), White Sand Lake Association, Gresham Lake Association, and the Trout Lake Association. It was felt that most associations would appreciate very brief remarks because of the full agendas at the association meetings.

Expansion of the Board of Directors:

In discussing the proposal to expand the BJCF Board to 11 members, the names of two possibilities for the Board were suggested: Jeff Long and Theresa Smith.

Report on the Vilas County Food Handlers' Class:

Everyone who attended the April 7th training session was thanked. Certificates for Dennis Aukstik and Irene Gravelle were filed with the board secretary.

Other Business:

A book of contacts was suggested to go along with the "bucket" requests for operating expenses. Klisnick expressed a need for operating expenses vs. the appeal for funds for the Endowment Fund. When representing the BJCF, a possible slogan might be, "Help Us Help Boulder Junction."

Aukstik shared his view that the BJCF's money raising comes with social responsibilities. He believes that the Foundation is a different type of organization, and, therefore, had reservations about any gambling options for fundraisers.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m. by Amy Wheeler. The next regular meeting of the BJCF will be held on Monday, May 16. (Due to conflicts in scheduling, the meeting was later moved to May 23, at 9:00 a.m. along with the Colorama Dinner Planning meeting.)

Irene Gravelle, Secretary
BJCF