

Minutes
Fifty-fifth Regular Meeting of the Boulder Junction Community Foundation
Board Meeting
Monday, July 20, 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), Dave Osborn (2017), Parker Sterner (2016), and Mary Van Grinsven (2016). Lois Smith (2016) was excused. Tom Basting, Sr., Consultant to Board, was also present. Guests included Gene Klisnick, Jacque Long, Bob Prentiss and Gary Plouff.

Call to Order and Agenda for the Meeting:

The July meeting was called to order by President Dennis Aukstik at 6:01 p.m.

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

Welcome to Guests:

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

Foundation’s Insurance Coverage Reviewed for Board:

President Aukstik introduced Jacque Long of Long and Company, Milwaukee, to review the insurance coverage that the Board currently has in-force: One million dollars in General Liability protection and one million dollars in Directors and Officers Liability Protection. Renewal rates have been increasing approximately 2-3% on General Liability and remaining flat on the Directors and Officers Protection. She advised that separate policies are available to cover special events serving beer and wine on one day coverage or annually. Either requires service provided by licensed bartenders. Premiums start at \$296.00 for one million dollars in coverage.

Board questions were answered, and President Aukstik thanked her for attending the meeting, welcoming her to stay as long as she wanted.

Minutes of the June 15th Meeting:

Upon a motion by Dave Osborn, seconded by Craig Mason, the minutes were approved. The secretary will distribute the approved minutes to the Foundation’s email list.

Nomination of Gary Plouff as a Director:

The vacancy on the Board of Directors was filled by a motion of Leslie Gauberti to nominate Gary Plouff to a three year term, seconded by Barb Boston. Plouff will be eligible to serve one more, three year term after 2018. Motion carried.

Gauberti stated that Plouff was willing to serve as assistant treasurer. Gauberti made a motion to appoint Plouff to this position until the position is rescinded. Barb Konopacki seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Leslie Gauberti gave her June report to the Board. The designated general checking account began the month of June with a balance of \$6,001.50 and ended the month with a balance of \$5,925.72. The seasonal raffle account began the month at \$2,009.69 and ended the month with a balance of \$2,489.69. The undesignated (operations and discretionary) fund started the month at \$10,845.95 and ended the month with a balance of \$9,885.95, after paying for the rental fee for the storage units. The ending balance in the general checking account was \$15,811.67 on June 30, 2015. (The starting balance was \$16,847.45.)

This June Treasurer's Report will be filed for audit.

Gauberti shared with the Board the 2015 Operating Budget, covering January to June, 2015. The Operating Budget is in good shape for the first half of the year with \$2,910.22 remaining for 2015 expenses.

The total Endowment Fund, a fund of the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin, reported a balance of \$113,029.61 on June 30, 2015. This reflects the \$9,124.22 in funds that have been added during 2015.

Gauberti distributed the 2nd Quarter, 2015, report sent to the Town of Boulder Junction for the Community Center Building Fund. A total of \$396,982.25 has been donated and forwarded to the Town since 2012. She reported that \$4,250.00 in pledges is yet to be received.

She also reported that there are now 43 Neighbors, raising a total of \$2,085.00 as of July 13, 2015. She noted that those who have contributed \$10,000.00 and above should be added as life-time Neighbors.

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 been met.

He once again reminded the Board of the three vacancies coming up on the Board in November when Barbara Konopacki, Craig Mason and Irene Gravelle will have served their eligible terms as originally established by Board policy.

Aukstik reported that the stock brokerage agreement with the firm of Michael E. Smith, an affiliate of Ameriprise Financial, has been executed.

He reviewed the Operations Calendar with the Board. Leslie Gauberti was asked to send this out to the Board monthly. If items can be handled in committee work, this should help the Board to shorten regular meetings.

Committee Reports:

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

The Fundraising Committee, Parker Sterner, Chairman, reported that the October mailing will be focused on building our Neighbors' group. Barbara Boston, Leslie Gauberti and Mary Van Grinsven are working on the fall mailing to 1,800 Vilas County residents, introducing them to the Foundation. Committee members are working with the Boulder Junction Area Property Owners Database to generate this list.

He also reported that the Circle packets are done, waiting for the envelopes. Dave Osborn moved that the Board allow the Fundraising Committee to spend \$400.00 to buy 50 copies if needed. Barb Konopacki seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Fundraising Committee will meet on August 19 and was directed to come back to the Board with recommendations on the donor list.

President Aukstik congratulated the committee members for their work and building information on how to approach new people about Foundation donations. He also expressed appreciation to Craig Mason for his report and work on the Treasure Bazaar.

The Publicity and Community Relations Committee held no meeting.

The Grants Committee had no report, but it was reported that the Foundation has \$2,500.00 available for grants. It was agreed that the Grants Committee would come back to the Board with ways to publicize the availability of grant funds.

2015 Colorama Dinner and People's Choice Awards Committee: Barbara Boston reported on the silent auction and appetizers before the dinner. Reserved tables will only be held for parties of ten. She was meeting with the Lionesses tonight to solicit their help and support for the dinner. Carol Klisnick, Gene Klisnick and Lois Smith will be working on door prizes. Craig Mason will be the leader on dishwashing. There was a sign up slip for Board members. Assistance is needed at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, September 19, at Camp Manito-wish. Upcoming meetings include an August 27th meeting at North Lakeland and a September 3rd meeting at Camp Manito-wish.

Additional discussion involved the Colorama Dinner's MC position. Tom Basting, Sr., volunteered to serve in this capacity. Materials will be shared with him.

Dennis Aukstik expressed the Board's appreciation to Jeff Long and Barbara Boston for completing the arrangements for the People's Choice Awards once again.

2015 Raffle:

Very strong sales of Raffle tickets was reported. Craig Mason was thanked for his work in keeping track of these sales. The Fundraising Committee will be handling the details on the Raffle.

Website Revisions:

Leslie Gauberti reported that Phase I is finished on the website. In Phase II refinements and additions will be made next month. President Aukstik expressed the Board's appreciation for all the work that has been involved in this project.

Musky Day Participation:

A sign-up slip was circulated among the Board for working different shifts at the Foundation booth on Musky Day.

Fourth of July Events:

All workers and helpers with the Foundation's float in the parade were thanked as well as those who sold tickets at the Boulder Junction Volunteer Fire Department's Chicken Dinner. Our appreciation will also be expressed to Jim Fraggasi and the Fire Department for allowing us to set up there.

Calendar Items:

The President reminded the Board of the up-coming calendar items, especially the Lions Polka Festival.

Upon a motion by Mary Van Grinsven, second by Parker Sterner, the December Board meeting was moved from December 21 to December 14th. Motion carried.

2015 Foundation Brochure:

Leslie Gauberti reported that the new brochures are available and that 300 copies will be saved for distribution at the Colorama Dinner.

Correspondence:

Correspondence was shared from Jean Tehan, acknowledging the Foundation's contribution to the Endowment Fund. Likewise, a letter of appreciation was read from Dennis Reuss, Town Chairman, for the receipt of funds to the Community Building.

Other Business:

The Dream Board update was shared with the Board. These ideas will be filed for future reference.

It was noted that the certificate of appreciation was presented to Pete Rondello for Station WXPB's support and publicity of charity fund raising, including the Colorama Dinner.

A discussion was held on the full page ad to be jointly sponsored by the Lions and the Foundation in the FYI, thanking Coontails for supporting the local charities through their receipts program. This ad will run before Musky Day. The Publicity

Committee will follow-up with the Lions Club on getting the ad composed and submitted.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m. by President Aukstik, following a motion by Gary Plouff.

/s/

Irene Gravelle, Secretary