

## **Board Minutes September 9, 2021 FUMC Boardroom**

Present: Keith Folkmann, Tom Baas, Kent Ziebell, Larry Trede, Ron Skrdla, Joe Traylor, Norm Scott, John Hill, Ron Juelfs, Larry Johnson, John Abrams, Absent: Gina Spohnheimer and Bruce Wight Guests: Steve Johnson, Cheryl Abrams

The meeting was called to order by President Keith Folkmann at 8:00 am, Boardroom, FUMC.

The minutes of the August 5th meeting were approved as distributed.

Skrdla presented the August 31, 2021, Club's Treasurer's Report. Balances as follows: Administrative, \$16,002.24; Service, \$1,366.03; and Total, \$17,369.27. Motion by Traylor, seconded by J. Abrams, that the report be approved as presented. Motion carried. Skrdla presented the August 31, 2021 Foundation Treasurer's report. Balance, \$27,365.37. Motion by Trede, seconded by Baas, that the report be approved as presented. Motion carried.

### **Announcements/Updates/Reports:**

- 1. Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> City/School Board Elections.** Skrdla updated the board on signups as election officials for this election. So far 8 members have signed up. Email reminder needs to be sent. Also, Trede will announce the need for signup at today's meeting. Noted that the Auditor's office will likely start making phone calls to past workers independently of our signup. Need to get as many names to Auditor prior to those phone calls as possible.
- 2. Charity Donation Check Distribution.** Bass indicated that all checks have been distributed. Funds were greatly appreciated. Suggested that thank you notes be shared with the club (no more than 1/week).
- 3. 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Feedback.** Favorable reviews from members attending. KI Leaders were impressed with what we are doing and the All-Inclusive Park and Miracle League Field. Trede indicated that 92 people attended with 55 from Ames Golden K members and spouses.
- 4. Ames Foundation Celebration, Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>.** Folkmann indicated that we have an opportunity to "buy" a table for their dinner celebration. No action taken.
- 5. 2021-22 Meeting Host/Hostess.** Steve Johnson will line up a non-officer board member for October and circulate the sign-up sheet for the remainder of the fiscal year for non-officer board members. Requires two months for the six board members involved.
- 6. ZOOM/In Person Meetings.** Executive Committee is recommending in-person meeting resume on September 9<sup>th</sup>, following FMUC protocols. Also recommended that board consider equipment needed for using ZOOM for those who wish to attend virtually. Pete Peterson will be conducting a "test run" of the process today using his own equipment. Traylor indicated that equipment needed (laptop, microphone, etc.) would cost around \$1200. Motion made that we authorize Pete Peterson and others to develop a list of equipment need and total budget not to exceed \$1500. Motion carried.
- 7. Paper Trailer Report.** Bass indicated that a surveillance camera has been installed and is operational. Also, Cenex station is considering similar security for their adjacent building and might be possible to coordinate efforts between GK and owner of Cenex Station.
- 8. Officer/Director Installation Meeting, September 30<sup>th</sup>.** Trede indicated that Jody Melcher will be installing the officers/board members on September 30<sup>th</sup>. Brad Boyd, Kiwanis International, will also speak (via ZOOM) on "Building Blocks for Club Success, Membership." Boyd is a sought after highly motivational and inspirational speaker. Club awards will also be presented.

### Discussion/ Action Items:

- 1. Membership Approval, Roman Lynch.** Application for membership from Roman Lynch was reviewed. Motion by Folkmann, seconded by Trede, that his application be approved for membership beginning on October 1, 2021. Motion carried.
- 2. 2021-22 Membership Update.** Trede reviewed the long-term membership numbers for GK. There has been a 24.7% reduction in membership over the last two years. Membership on September 30, 2021 will be 67 members down from 77 a year ago. For this year, one member added, one member reinstated, four deaths, six resignations, and 2 unpaid members who will be dropped. Motion by Trede, seconded by Folkmann, that we certify 67 members to Kiwanis International for year starting October 1<sup>st</sup>. Roman Lynch membership will be activated and added to KI membership roster after October 1<sup>st</sup>. Motion carried.
- 3. Fall Miracle League.** Trede reported that staffing changes at Ames Parks and Recreation has resulted in lower participation for the Fall Miracle League. It will be held with 2 teams (19 members) with no team sponsorships or “buddies” volunteers. Parks and Rec staff and parents will fill in most volunteer positions. Keith Abraham has indicated that a new staff member is being hired whose primary responsibility will be the Miracle League program. Expect a full complement of teams and volunteers for the Spring 2022 season. GK Miracle League Committee needs to become operational and start recurring members to volunteer. Club goal: Team Sponsorship, \$200 max. and 10 to 15 volunteers for various roles for the spring league.
- 4. Volunteer Opportunity, ISU Dining.** Tom Peter has been working with ISU Dining for volunteering at one residence hall daily lunches for up to 3 consecutive weeks. Pay \$11/hour. Can start on Monday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. Working at “Conversations” Dining Hall, Maple-Willow-Larch complex, 10:00 am – 1:30 pm. Sign up sheets will be available at club meeting today. Working 5 days, 5 teams, we can earn \$1650.00 per week.
- 5. Board Meeting Schedule.** Tom Baas indicated that October 7<sup>th</sup> (1<sup>st</sup> Thursday) and all board meetings thereafter will be held at 8:00 am, 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month.

The meeting was adjourned by Folkmann at 9:05 am.

Submitted by

Larry Trede  
Club Secretary