

Board Minutes October 14, 2021 FUMC Boardroom

Present: Tom Baas, Kent Ziebell, Greg Dieter, Ron Skrdla, Joe Traylor, Norm Scott, John Hill, Ron Juelfs, Larry Johnson, Mark Lohafer, Keith Folkman, Cheryl Abrams, Joe Traylor, Steve Johnson Guests: Larry Trede

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

The minutes of the September 9th meeting were approved as distributed.

Skrdla presented the Sep. 30, 2021, Club's Treasurer's Report. Balances as follows: Administrative, \$15,361.96; Service, \$1,366.03; and Total, \$16,728.99. Motion by Scott, seconded by Juelfs, that the report be approved as presented. Motion carried. Skrdla presented the Sep. 30, 2021 Foundation Treasurer's report. Balance, \$27,865.37. Motion by Ziebell, seconded by Lohafer, that the report be approved as presented. Motion carried.

Announcements/Updates/Reports:

1. Tom Baas welcomed our new 2021/2022 board members - Norm Scott, Mark Lohafer, Cheryl Abrams and incoming Vice President Greg Dieter.
2. **School Board/City Election Update.** Ron Skrdla reported that we have 15 members signed up to work at the polls for the Nov. 2 election. We should be receiving a letter/e-mail in the near future concerning location assignments and necessary training. The club should receive about \$1,500 for this project.
3. **Zoom update.** We continue to have a few individuals participate in our meetings via Zoom. Keith Folkman reported that a new computer has been purchased, and there may be some accessory items that will need to be purchased as well. We have received a \$500 donation from the Dennis Sailsbury memorial fund to cover some of the expense. Thanks to Pete Peterson for his continued leadership in getting the Zoom meeting and equipment set up.
4. **ISU dining.** Tom Baas gave a brief update on the ISU dining project. We have had 26 individuals work at ISU dining, including a few spouses. This is the last full week of work, but we will continue to help on Wednesdays in the coming weeks. Our help has been greatly appreciated by the ISU dining staff. We should end up with nearly \$6,000 for our donation budget. Tom and Judy Peter have done an amazing job leading/organizing this effort.
5. **Youth Protection Training.** All of our club members will need to complete this mandatory training. Tom Baas will contact Jody Melcher about conducting the training. It is about a 15 minute presentation. We hope to have it completed by the end of this year, but it must be done by Sep. 30, 2022.
6. **Grants for Charity Donation Program.** Larry Trede will look into the possibility of using grants as a source of funding for our charity donations. Grants may be available from our Kiwanis District, Kiwanis International, or even private sources.

Discussion/ Action Items:

1. **Club News to Jody Melcher.** Steve Johnson will send monthly information to Jody for her district newsletter. She is mainly looking for highlights/pictures concerning our major projects.
2. **Trunk or Treat fall opportunity.** United Way of Story County contacted Tom Baas about the possibility of Golden K participating in a Trunk or Treat opportunity benefitting Story County Reads program. There was no interest from the Board in participating at this time.
3. **YSS Teen Maze.** Norm Scott and Larry Trede are serving on the Teen Maze planning committee. Teen Maze will take place April 4-8, 2022 with set-up on April 3 at the Boone County

Fairgrounds. Our club will need to determine our level of involvement this year in terms of volunteers and funding. There is also an opportunity to sponsor a meal. One new topic this year will be gambling/gambling addiction. A decision on our involvement will need to be made at December/January board meeting.

4. **2021-22 Membership.** Tom Baas gave a brief update on our membership status. Our club currently stands at 67 members, down from 89 members just two years ago. However, we are still the 6th largest club in North America! Membership declines are a common problem for all service clubs/organizations. We will need to keep this issue on the “front burner” over the next few years. Brad Boyd’s presentation that was attached in the invitation for our board meeting addresses this issue and has some creative ideas on how to reverse the trend. Bob Sperry and Larry Trede are serving as membership committee chairs, and will have a proposal for us to consider by Jan. 1.
5. **ISU Dining Picture.** Steve Johnson will send an e-mail to all those who worked at ISU dining so we can get a picture of the group at our next club meeting. Spouses who worked will also be asked to be present. Members should wear their ISU dining shirts and caps.
6. **Club Directory.** The board decided to continue to publish a club directory. The cost is about \$4 per copy. Steve Johnson and Larry Trede will send the necessary information to Joe Traylor, and he will update our club website with the current membership.
7. **Board Meeting Schedule.** Tom Baas indicated that board meetings will continue on the **second** Thursday of each month. Our next meeting will be Nov. 11.

The meeting was adjourned by Tom Baas at 9:00 am.

Submitted by

Steve Johnson
Club Secretary

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