



Ames Golden K
Board Minutes

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February 14, 2019

Present: Gina Spohnheimer, Ron Skrdla, Dennis Smith, Joe Traylor, Craig Fulton, Kent Ziebell and Bob Sperry

The meeting was called to order by President elect Gina Spohnheimer at 8:00 a.m. in the Boardroom at the First United Methodist Church. The agenda was reviewed and two items added to the action items for discussion: The first regards a possible move for our meetings to St Paul’s Lutheran Church for the February 21st and 28th meetings and the second regards discussing possible signing improvements that can be made at the Paper Trailer site to inform the public when the truck is full.

Traylor moved and Ziebell seconded that the minutes of January 3rd Meeting be approved, as distributed. Motion carried.

The Treasurer’s report was given by Ron Skrdla. For the Club account, the January 31, 2019 balances were: Administration, \$6,818.15; Service, \$8,270.29 for a total of \$15,088.43; GK Singers, \$155.58. Motion by Traylor and second by Fulton to approve the report as presented. Motion carried. For the Foundation, the January 31st balance was \$18,956.22. Motion by Fulton and second by Traylor to approve the report as presented. Motion carried.

Announcements/Reports:

1. **Teen Maze Report**– Sperry reviewed the report that Larry had sent out, including Ames students attend on Thursday, April 4th, GK serve (box lunch) on Wednesday, April 3rd (Wayne Hagemoser has been contacted), Member Signup – starts February 20th (Trede to coordinate) A motion to Cancel both our Board Meeting and the regular meeting on Thursday, April 4th and to hold the April Board meeting on April 11th was made by Smith and seconded by Skrdla. Motion carried.
2. **New Member Orientation** – Sperry reported that Trede, Traylor/Ziebell and he were looking at having this orientation before the March 14th meeting for the three new members - (Linder, Knop, Hill)
3. **Pancake Days** – Bob had checked with Wayne and because the two previous meeting were cancelled due to weather, he had NO ticket sales/receipts to report. No one knew about worker sign up for this project.
*** Changed at regular meeting- No online sign up is available- Hand roster & sign up by Noon club volunteer today***
4. **Division 11 Meeting**– The Division 11 meeting was discussed and only Bob is able to go to this meeting on this Saturday, February 16th, 8:15 am, Green Hills, so we will not have enough for an interclub.
5. **Financial Review Report** – Spohnheimer reviewed the e-mail that reported the audit by Trede, Mannes, and Skrdla. All is well and no discrepancies were noted

6. **2019 I-Plan Presentation** – Sperry briefly noted that the program for today was on the Amended I-Plan and that the speakers would be: Membership – Sperry; Finances – Skrdla; Service – Sperry for Trede; PR/Website – Ziebell

Action Items:

1. **Charter Night, Story City Kiwanis Club** - Sperry reviewed the handout for this and reported that the Board had voted (by e-mail last week) to make a donation of \$100 to this new club; Ron gave Bob the check to deliver Friday night, as he, Pete Peterson and Craig Fulton will be attending. Larry Vallery had to cancel and a coordinating effort by Don Muff has not attracted any others. This will be mentioned at today's meeting and hopefully we can encourage a 4th member to join us.
2. **NE-IA Kiwanis 2019 Mid-Year Convention** – Spohnheimer reviewed the District Convention dates in Omaha and asked for possible attendees. No one on the Board is available to attend. The Board did last week, also approve (by e-mail), a \$200 reimbursement for up to three persons attending. Because of the importance of this meeting, we will encourage volunteers from our membership to attend at this morning's meeting.
3. **Future of Cyclone AKTION Club** – Sperry initiated Board discussion after reviewing e-mail from Steve Sapp and circumstances relating to the AKTION Club losing their charter. Input from all Board members was and is requested regarding questions and ideas that can be taken to the February 24th meeting of representatives from the 3 Ames clubs. Everyone acknowledged that with our declining membership numbers, the Listeners Program, other current programs and upcoming responsibilities we anticipate with the Miracle League program will most likely put a strain on our volunteer numbers. All present agree that this is a very worthwhile and rewarding program and that special, dedicated volunteers that are committed to long term service with this group are needed. Questions and Concerns raised included:
 - “Current membership was estimated at 15-25. Is this correct?”
 - “Are Ed Gillot and Mary Ann Johnson planning to stay involved in their leadership positions?”
 - “What funding mechanism is used for their member's dues and charity donations, if any?”
 - “What time commitment do current volunteers say we can expect?”
 - “Extent of searching for programs for their club?”

Vallery (if available), Spohnheimer, Trede, and Sperry can attend.

4. Added - **Move February 21st and 28th meetings** to St Paul's Lutheran Church – Sperry checked with Pete Peterson and there is currently no conflict at FUMC for the 21st. Therefore, only the February 28th meeting will need to be moved to St Pauls Lutheran to allow for Pancake Day set up. Motion by Traylor & Second by Fulton. Motion carried.
5. Added - **Possible signing improvements at Paper Trailer** – Traylor reported that we recently had a patron put a load of their papers UNDER the fully loaded and LOCKED trailer. He suggested that a very visible sign be purchased and put on the trailer, noting that it is “FULL AND LOCKED” or “OPEN” ; After much discussion among the group, a motion was made by Traylor and seconded by Ziebell to authorize an expenditure of \$75 for a sign (deemed appropriate by John Slaughter and Jim Penny) to best convey the “CLOSED” message to patrons and also match their normal procedures for closing, locking, and re-opening trailers as they are filled and replaced. Motion carried. Another related suggestion was to have the Board consider “promoting the use of our paper disposal to companies that might generate (and donate) considerable amounts of paper???” Agenda Item for future?

The next Board Meeting will be March 7th, 2019 at the Boardroom of FUMC

Having no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 am.

Submitted by

Bob Sperry, Club Past President