

Board Minutes March 5, 2020

Present: Gina Spohnheimer, Tom Baas, Larry Trede, Ron Skrdla, Joe Traylor, Norm Scott, Bruce

Wight, Kent Ziebell, John Abrams, Janet Olson

Absent: Keith Folkmann, Scott Elston, Larry Vallery

The meeting was called to order by President Gina Spohnheimer at 8:00 a.m., Classroom, St. Paul Lutheran Church.

The minutes of the January board meeting were reviewed by the Board. No corrections were suggested.

Skrdla presented the February 29, 2020 Club Treasurer's report. Club balances were as follows: Administration, \$7,254.14; Service, \$7,129.28; Total, \$14,433.42. Motion by Baas, seconded by Wight, that the Treasurer's report be approved as presented. Motion carried. Skrdla presented the February 29, 2020 Treasurer's report. Foundation balance was \$26,513.51. Motion by Scott, seconded by Ziebell, that the report be approved as presented. Motion carried.

Announcements/Reports:

- 1. Teen Maze Update. Trede reported on the 2020 signup for Teen Maze as compared to 2019. In 2019, there were 30 members, 1 spouse, and 2 others who signed up. Thus far, in 2020, we have 25 members and 2 spouses. Trede noted that division-wide, signup is somewhat slower and few in numbers compared to the previous year. He said that we cancelled the board and membership meetings because Ames students would be attending that day. Since signup is less than a year ago, Trede suggested that we cancel our board meeting (be re-scheduled for the following week and encourage members to signup for Teen Maze on Thursday of Teen Maze week. Baas indicated that the program for that day is not confirmed. Motion by Traylor, seconded by Olson, that GK Board meeting be rescheduled to April 9th and membership meeting be cancelled. Motion carried.
- 2. IRS Filing/Financial Review Committee. Skrdla reported that club IRS tax return for Foundation and Club have been filed and received by IRS for 2018-19 years. Trede indicated that Keith Folkmann agreed to serve on the Financial Review Committee for this year. Committee will be Lonnie Mannes (chair), Larry Trede, and Keith Folkmann. Review to be completed upon Folkmann's return.
- 3. Nevada Pop Can and Bottle Recycling Project. Following the presentation by Jody Melcher, the board discussed this as a possible fund[[-raising project for the club. Needs review by Ad-Hoc committee and final recommendation to board from committee. Noted that little support from the board for this project. Trede noted that Ad-Hoc committee needs to act u[on the request from students at Ames Middle School who have indicated interest in participation in our paper recycling project.
- **4. NE-IA Club Signature Project Award.** Trede reported on the announcement from District on the criterial for the Club Signature Project Award. Trede suggested that we apply using the GK Listeners program as our signature service project. Applications are due December 1, 2020, Consensus by board that we proceed. Trede will coordinate the preparation of the application with assistance from other board members involved in GK Listeners.

Business/Action Items:

- 1. **GK Grant Program.** Trede reviewed the timetable, solicitation letter, and RFP. He is assembling the data base for notification to the charities. Consensus of board that we move forward. Process would be for Executive Committee to review applications, rank order, and final decision of winners made by board. Completion date: June 2, 2020.
- **2. Exhibiting at Senior Expo, May 5th.** Bob Sperry sent an e-mail asking the board to consider exhibiting at the Senior Expo again this year. Registration fee is \$100 for non-profit groups. Scheduled for 9 am 2 pm, Quality Inn. Sperry would coordinate. Trede agreed to help with booth preparation. Motion by Trede, seconded by Olson, that GK participate in this event. Motion carried. Board members would be asked to staff the booth during the day.
- **3. Adopt-A-Road.** Trede reported that the contact with County Engineer has been signed and not further action required.
- **4. 2020 Odyssey of Mind.** Tom Peter reported that the club will work with ISU Dining during the Odyssey of Minds program. Dates: May 27-30th. Club will serve lunches for all 4 days (Wednesday Saturday). Signup and additional details later.
- **5. 2020 Farm Program Show.** Peter reported that he has been in contact with Nelson Catering about doing refreshments stands again this year. Pay is less but work is not as demanding. Date: September 1-3, 2020 at the same location in Boone. More information later.

The next board meeting will be on April 9, 2020, Boardroom FUMC, 8:00 am.

The meeting was adjourned by Spohnheimer.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Trede Board Secretary

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