



## Ames Golden K Board Minutes

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December 5, 2019

Members: Gina Spohnheimer, Keith Folkmann, Tom Baas, Larry Trede, Ron Skrdla, Larry Vallery, Joe Traylor, John Abrams, Norm Scott, Bruce Wight, Kent Ziebell, Scott Elston and Janet Olson.

The meeting was called to order by President Gina Spohnheimer at 8:00 a.m., Boardroom, FUMC.

The minutes of the November board meeting were distributed prior the meeting. Motion by Abrams, seconded by Wight, that the minutes be approved as distributed. Motion carried.

Skrdla presented the November 30, 2019 Club Treasurer’s Report. Club balanced were as follows: Administrative, \$8,919.62; Service, \$3,497.28; Total, \$12,416.92. Motion by Trede, seconded by Vallery, that the Club Treasurer’s report be approved as presented. Motion carried. Skrdla presented the Foundation Treasurer’s report. Balance on October 31, 2019 was \$24, 847.01. Motion by Ziebell, seconded by Elston, that the Foundation Treasurer’s report be approved as presented, Motion carried.

### Announcements/Reports:

1. **December Break Responsibilities.** Trede will e-mail reminders to members who have specific responsibilities for December (during the holiday break).
2. **January newsletter deadline.** Because of the holiday break, Trede requested that the deadline for members supplying information for the newsletter be moved up to December 10<sup>th</sup>.
3. **Election Poll Workers Report.** Skrdla reported on recent poll worker turnout for this summer and fall elections as follows: August (special election), 4 workers, \$620.25; September (bond issue), 15 workers, \$2351.20 with one check still outstanding; November, city/school board election, \$23 workers, \$2351.20; December (runoff special election), 8 workers, estimated \$500 - \$1000. Over \$6,053 collected for 3 summer/fall elections. Large increase will help the Charity Donation Program.
4. **Ad-Hoc Committee Report.** Folkmann reported on the last ad-hoc committee. Discussion on paper trailer with ideas for increasing volume of newspapers collected since no longer accept cardboard. Discussion on 24 different ideas for additional fund-raising projects with special attention to the Nevada pop can and bottle recycle project. Jody Melcher invited to give a presentation to club on their project. Scott and Trede are doing a survey of GK Clubs in division on their fund-raising and service projects. Trede shared the survey form being used for committee members to rate the various fund-raising activities identified.

### Business Items:

5. **Teen Maze.** Trede reported on the recent Teen Maze Steering Committee. Theme for 2020: 2020 VIS10N: SEE YOUR FUTURE CLEARLY. Ames School will be participating on Monday afternoon and all-day Tuesday. Encourage our members to volunteer as guides. GK will serve lunch on Tuesday (HyVee box lunch), YSS will give Teen Maze presentation on February 6<sup>th</sup>. Individual GK members who wish to help in booths should indicate their interest early.
6. **“Helping Put Food on the Table.”** Critical shortage of food for food pantries. Trede proposed a special food-raising project to be started in January for 5 weeks. Team competition like baseball game and goal would be to collect 500 items of food and cash contributions. Motion by Vallery, seconded by Olson, that club undertake this special project. Motion carried. Details to be announced and e-mail sent to all members.

7. **2019-20 Budget.** Skrdla and Trede are finalizing the 2019-20 budgets for the Club and Foundation. Proposing 3 new initiatives. Analysis of Administrative Budget for Club will be negative for 2020. May have to use cash reserves to cover the deficit. Proposal to increase dues (\$10/year) to support administrative budget will be discussed at January meeting. Entire budget to be discussed in January with approval in February.
8. **Ames GK 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.** Trede announced that 2020-21 will be the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary of club. Club was chartered on May 8, 1936. Will consider celebration plans later.
9. **KI Signature Project Funding.** Spohnheimer announced that KI is offering funding for Club Signature Projects with proposals due late December 2019.
10. **KI International Convention.** Spohnheimer announced that KI International Convention will be held in Indianapolis, June 17-20, 2020. Trede indicated that 2020 budget proposal includes funding assistance for interested members to attend.

The next board meeting will be held on January 9, 2020, 8 a.m., FUMC Boardroom.

The meeting was adjourned by Spohnheimer at 9:00 a.m.

Submitted by

Larry Trede  
Club Secretary