

## **Board Minutes May 13, 2021 ZOOM Meeting**

Present: Keith Folkmann, Tom Baas, Kent Ziebell, Larry Trede, Ron Skrdla, Joe Traylor, Gina Spohnheimer, Norm Scott, Bruce Wight, and Larry Johnson. Absent: Ron Juelfs

The meeting was called to order by President Keith Folkmann at 10:10 am, with members participating by ZOOM.

The minutes of the April 8<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved with minor correction.

Ron Skrdla presented the club Treasurer's Report. Balances on April 30<sup>th</sup> were as follows: Administrative, \$6,821.62; Service, \$4,491.03; Total, \$11,302.65; Singers, \$806.87. Motion by Trede, seconded by Folkmann, that the Club Treasurer's report be approved as presented. Motion carried. Skrdla presented the Foundation report with a balance of \$30,277.01. Motion by Folkmann, seconded by Scott that the report be approved. Motion carried,

### **Announcements/Reports:**

- 1. Paper Trailer Fire.** Folkmann reported on the paper trailer fire which occurred on the previous Saturday evening around 6:00 p.m. Trailer and inside paper contents were destroyed. No property damage to the adjacent concrete building or any other property. Cause is undetermined and classified as a "unknown bug suspicious origin." Discussion followed concerning future of action. Motion by L. Johnson, seconded by Skrdla that an ad-hoc task force consisting of Tom Bass and Jim Penney, co-chairs; John Slaughter, Jim Theilen, Terry Wycoff, and Steve Johnson (ex-officio) be appointed to develop a site clean-up plan and future for the continuation of the paper recycle project with a report back to the board in 60 days.
- 2. Ames Fundraisers & Thermometer.** Folkmann reported the \$3,665 is needed from the Member Donation Campaign scheduled for June 10<sup>th</sup> to July 8<sup>th</sup>. President Folkmann will prepare a letter with an explanation of need and the reason for the fund campaign. This will be followed up the email and meeting announcements. Result report at the July 8<sup>th</sup> BOD meeting.
- 3. May 6<sup>th</sup> Roadside Cleanup.** Folkmann reported for Mark Lohafer that 16 members participated with 15 bags of trash, a broken sign, and several damaged pop cans were collected. Total of 23 hours volunteer hours were reported by Mark.

### **Business & Discussion Items:**

- 1. Club In-Person Meetings.** Folkmann and Trede reported on committee work done by the re-opening committee. Several items were also presented for board discussion and approval.
  - a. Member Opinion Survey.** Trede reported on a suggested survey of members designed to their status on COVID-19 vaccinations and opinions regarding meetings. Also, opinions were sought on providing proof of vaccination. Trede indicated that Iowa legislature has passed a proposed Iowa law that would restrict non-profit corporations from requiring members to provide proof of vaccination. Trede indicated that survey was designed to make any reporting of vaccinations strictly on a voluntary basis. Motion by Folkmann, seconded by Ziebell, that the member opinion survey be distributed with results shared with the BOD at the June 10<sup>th</sup> BOD meeting. Motion carried.
  - b. COVID19 Liability Release Form.** Trede indicated that KI is asking members to request a liability release form to provide legal protection against potential lawsuits from members. Trede shared the suggested form (modified to fit Ames GK Club). Discussion stressed that this must be

on a voluntary basis. Motion by Folkmann, seconded by Ziebell, that the form be shared with members asking for voluntary participation. Motion carried.

c. **In-person GK Meeting Proposal.** Trede offered a propose to provide “coffee in the park” in-person gathers in June 2021 and alternate weekly meetings on ZOOM and in-person meetings at Miracle League Park Shelter in July and August (schedule attached). After lengthy discussion Baas moved, Scott seconded, that the in-person meeting proposal be approved. Motion carried. Lastly, for the survey and liability form distribution to members, it will be emailed on Wednesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, a presentation announced and explanation at May 20<sup>th</sup> club meeting, with information due back to Secretary by May 31<sup>st</sup>.

**2. Charity Donation Program.**

Folkmann discussed the Member Donation Campaign indicating it would be conducted from June 10<sup>th</sup> to July 8<sup>th</sup> with a goal of raising \$3,365. A letter from him explaining the need to raise that amount to meet the \$14,000 donation program goal. Reminder emails and announcements will follow. The final budget will be approved on July 8<sup>th</sup>. Bass indicated that donation checks will begin following the campaign and will be “batched” together with 3 to 4 checks presented per day by visiting recipients place of business. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Ziebell, that the membership campaign goal be set at \$3,365. Motion carried.

**3. 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration.**

Details for the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration are being planned. Date is August 26<sup>th</sup>, Walnut Shelter and Miracle League Field. Program begins at 4 pm lasting approximately 75 minutes followed by a light evening dinner (may be food truck menu items). The program concludes with a softball game following ML rules. Division 11 clubs will be encouraged organize a club team. Depending upon interest by clubs, may have four teams (Ames GK, other Ames clubs, Nevada & Roland, and the two Boone Clubs.)

**4. Eagle’s Catch Tour.** Scheduled for June 24<sup>th</sup>. Will be organized like the cancelled tour in March 2021.

The next board meeting will be held on June 10<sup>th</sup>, 10:10 AM via ZOOM.

The meeting was adjourned by Folkmann at 11:30 AM.

Respectfully Submitted

Larry Trede  
Club Secretary

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