

## **Executive Board Meeting**

**Tuesday, Sept 15, 2009  
Held at Children First Academy**

**Prior to the meeting we were given a tour of the CFA facilities and were able to see the smiling faces of the students and the benefits of the programs at the school. We had the pleasure of joining the students at lunch and experienced some rewarding interaction and conversation. Thanks to Jarrett for the opportunity.**

**Call to Order:** 12:30 pm by Rob Perelka

**Roll Call:** Present

- 1) Stacy Gielda
- 2) Dax Jones
- 3) Rob Perelka
- 4) George James
- 5) Jared Shintaku by telephone
- 6) Scott Harkey
- 7) Nancy Russo
- 8) Dwayne Somers
- 9) Tiffany Hawkins
- 10) Julie Viken
- 11) Kurt Viken
- 12) Jarrett Sharp

Guests: Kristine Koschke

### **Secretary's Report:**

A motion to waive the reading of the minutes was made by Rob Perelka.

Dax Jones seconded the motion. Rob made a motion to accept the minutes as received by email. The motion was seconded by Dax Jones and was passed.

### **Guest Speaker:**

Kristine Koschke gave a presentation on grant writing for non-profit organizations. She advised that the software program that was being considered was a costly option and that we could probably have submissions done successfully without it. She is a former CEO of Prevent Blindness foundation and has over 15 years involvement with non-profit organizations. She has listings of numerous existing grants and their deadlines for submission. She recommends choosing 5 possible grants that we could apply for right away.

### **President and Chairman's Report:**

Rob Perelka advised the current projects are the EKC Thunder Baseball program, which is showing great success, and the upcoming Bowl-A-Thon and Celebrity Golf Tournament. The Papa Johns school supply drive has not yet had items turned in.

## **Vice President's Report**

Dax reports that the EKC baseball program has been a huge success. He has obtained commitment for 6 sponsors so far at \$500 ea. They have already collected a large amount of clothing and supplies and turned in to Children First Academy.

He has had many leadership opportunities to share with the team players. He is getting a significant amount of commitment from team parents. He is looking at the possibility of pairing students from CFA with each of the team players to provide a mentor opportunity.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

Jared Shintaku reported that there have been no incoming funds. There is \$ 2,385 in the BofA account and \$3,500.00 in the BNC account.

A motion to accept the treasurer's report, pending future audit, was made by Dax Jones, seconded by Dwayne Somers and was passed.

## **Old Business:**

### Nov 15 - 16 Annual Holiday Classic Celebrity Golf Tournament

Rob has sent by e-mail all the forms for signing up teams and acquiring donors and auction/raffle items. Our goal is to have 144 golfers. There will be a pre-tournament family event on Sun Nov 15<sup>th</sup> with rides, food, activities, at the SRP Pera Club. We are thinking about the possibility of a Casino/Poker night on Sat Nov 14<sup>th</sup>.

### Grant Writing Program

After the presentation by Kristine Koschke, she made a proposal to the board to have her do the Grant submissions for us. Her regular fee is \$65/hr, she offered the 1<sup>st</sup> 10 hours at \$50/hr. Rob made a motion to employ Kristine to write the grants with a \$1,000 budget, to be reviewed and adjusted at a later time. Dax Jones seconded the motion and it was passed. She asked that the board members contact her with any ideas or information on grant programs at [KKOSCHKE@qwest.net](mailto:KKOSCHKE@qwest.net).

### Back to School /Shoe Drive

Jarrett sharp reported that CFA received 1700 pairs of shoes, enough for each student to receive a new pair of shoes at the start of the school year. The clothing needs still exist, as well as school supplies (especially copy paper). They would like to hold a tax credit donation drive.

### October Bowl-A-Thon

Rob has e-mailed the pledge forms for the Oct 25<sup>th</sup> event to the board members. It will be at Via Linda Lanes at 90<sup>th</sup> Street and Via Linda in Scottsdale. George James is going to contact Jack Nyland with Brunswick lanes to see if we can also hold one on the west side of town, and possibly get the use of the lanes donated.

**New Business:**

Next committee meeting for the Nov Golf Tournament is next Tuesday Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> at 11:30 at Native New Yorker at Via Linda and 90<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Open Discussion:**

There being no further business, Rob Perelka made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Scott Harkey and the meeting was adjourned at 1:30pm by Rob Perelka.

Next Executive Board Meeting: Tuesday, Oct 13, 11:30am, EKC office

Quarterly Board Meeting: Sunday, Oct 11, at the home of Rob Perelka

Respectfully submitted by:

Nancy Russo