

Minutes of 02/12/2020 Board of Directors Meeting

Board Members Present: Darlene Ference, Tony Ammendolia, Barbara Plonski, Mike Albarelli, Allen Gould, Barry Chisholm, Dan Andrews, John Gallo, Maura Ammendolia, Chris Booras, Susan Staples Smith

Members present: Janice Andrews, Brian Baker, Liz Hughes

Visitor: Lt. Governor Dana Bartlett from Colebrook Club

Call to Order- The meeting was called to order at 5:32 p.m. by President Darlene Ference at Abenaki Trails Restaurant.

Motion to approve the minutes by John and second by Allen. All in favor.

Treasurer's Report- Allen reviewed the financial statement. He said he sent out \$4000 in scholarships after receiving grades from colleges. The scholarships are announced in June and awarded directly to school in student's name for a grade point average of 2.5 or above the following January. The amount has been offset by gains in the accounts. Chris complimented Allen on the work he does as our treasurer.

Allen explained that bills are paid with amounts from checking accounts when they are sufficient as opposed to using invested funds. This is to avoid losing the interest on invested funds. Notations will be made on reports to indicate the sources of funds and when amounts are moved.

Old Business- Darlene shared Social Media policy information from Kiwanis International which is shown below:

18. Social Media Guidelines

All Kiwanis International Officers shall adhere to the following guidelines when posting to a Blog, making comments online, or using Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, LinkedIn, Flickr or any other tools that fall within the social media realm. (10/10)

Recognizing that the individual actions of each Kiwanis club member reflect upon the entire organization, the Board urges all districts and clubs to adopt a similar policy and for all Kiwanis members to abide by these guidelines. (10/10)

- 1. Be aware that you are responsible, legally and morally, for what you say and post online.**
- 2. Remember that your audience may include Kiwanis family members and nonmembers, both adults and youth, from many cultures throughout the world.**
- 3. Talk about your Kiwanis experience in positive terms.**
- 4. Make it clear that you are speaking only for yourself and any views posted are yours alone.**
- 5. Online conversations should be open, honest, and honorable.**
- 6. Do not post any items, make any comments, or share any material that would be inappropriate for children to read, view or share.**
- 7. Add value to the conversation.**
- 8. Know when to respond. You may disagree with a post, but never fight or air grievances online, and don't get caught up in someone else's rant or rage.**

9. Do not use foul language.
10. Don't speak of others in derogatory or degrading terms.
11. Prior to posting any media online, obtain permission from any individuals who appear in that media. It could be illegal to do otherwise.
12. Adhere to copyright and fair use.
13. Use factual information and cite sources.

Motion by Dan and second by Chris to incorporate this policy into the policies of our club with a change in the first four words of the first sentence. Replace *All Kiwanis International Officers* with *Members of the Kiwanis Club of Mt. Washington Valley*. All in favor.

Motion by Dan and second by Chris to send out a new permissions form to members requesting they opt out of all use of their photo and name in all social media, newspapers and the club website or allow the use of their name and photo in all these instances. The board encourages members who opt out to step out of photos. Dan will develop a form which every member will be asked to sign and date. All in favor with one No.

New Business – Darlene will let members know when a trip to the Vaughan Center to see the new handicap lift donated by the club can be scheduled.

Shooting Star Fund – Liz gave a report on the activities of the fund. The fund is now using the club post office box. Recent requests filled include Driver's Education for a student, two students receiving gymnastics lessons, a year's pass to Story Land and the Aquarium for a student and her father, and a drum set for a child. Recipients are children who have experienced trauma. To date, 18 wishes have been granted with a balance of \$2,894.56 remaining. The average gift is \$290.

Public Relations – Maura passed around copies of press releases she has written for the club and explained the process. Chris asked if individual committees doing press releases should share what they are doing with Maura. She answered Yes.

Donation Requests

Motion to donate a Passport Book to the Tin Mountain Auction by Dan with second by Allen. All in favor.

No action was taken on a letter received from the Emergency Department at Memorial Hospital.

Motion to Barbara and second by Sue to donate \$500 for costumes for *Matilda the Musical* to be put on by M&D Playhouse. All in favor.

Motion by Chris with second by Tony to donate \$500 to the Kismet Foundation which teaches rock climbing to teens from urban areas. All in favor.

Motion by Dan and second by Chris to donate \$1000 to the Kennett Middle School trip to Boston to aid students who need help with funding.

Motion by Chris and second by John to donate \$500 to the MWV Soccer Club. All in favor.

Motion by Chris and second by John to donate \$500 to the Bearcamp Valley School and Children's Center to help provide daycare for children in need. All in favor.

Announcements

Darlene announced that the joint meeting with Kiwanis youth for the Bowl A Thon has been cancelled due to conflict with buses and time we were being given at bowling alley. Barbara will look for a service project to fill this time slot on March 18.

Barbara announced David Swirk of the Conway Scenic Railroad will be our guest speaker on Feb. 26.

Next Board meeting is March 11, 2020, at Abenaki Trail.

Motion to adjourn by Allen with second by Chris at 7:40 p.m.

Summary of Expenditures

(this is being added to Minutes each month to assist club auditor- includes donations President mentioned at meeting but they were already in budget so not voted on at meeting)

Meeting Donations:

M&D Playhouse, *Matilda the Musical*, \$500 for costumes
Kismet Foundation \$500
Kennett Middle School Boston Trip \$1000
MWV Soccer Club \$500
Bearcamp Valley School \$500

Budgeted Donations:

Eagle Task Force (military student group at KHS) \$400
Copper Canyon Camp \$450
MWV Children's Museum \$1000
Tamworth Community Nurses Association \$250
Children Unlimited \$1000
North Conway Community center \$1000
RSVP \$500