

Black Diamond Foundation, Inc.  
Monday, February 2, 2015, 4:00 pm  
Black Diamond Ranch Club  
Lecanto, Florida

Present: Steve Barnes, Jim Briley, Dave Burns, Bill Joens, Foster Lamm, Jill Ludowese, Charlotte McKim, Joan Plunkett, Susan Pratt, Jon Radabaugh, Kent Rinker, Sharron Rosenberg, Susan Savard

Absent: Mike Bays

Guests: Anthony Kopka, Executive Director, Daystar Life Center of Citrus County

**1. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm, February 2, 2015.**

**2. Presentations**

**Daystar Life Center of Citrus County**

The new Executive Director at Daystar Life Center, Mr. Anthony Kopka, updated the Board of Directors on current initiatives at their Crystal River facility. Mr. Kopka noted that Daystar is one of the few food pantries in Citrus County that provides produce, as well as frozen and fresh meats, to all Citrus County residents who qualify/demonstrate need. Black Diamond Foundation provided a community grant to Daystar to purchase freezer equipment to support their food pantry in years past.

Daystar is seeking funds to purchase commercial refrigeration and reach-in freezer equipment to support its food pantry operations. They are currently using eight older residential refrigerators that have been donated over the years. None are operating very efficiently. The new commercial refrigerators would replicate 12 individual units, and cost a little over \$7,500. The commercial units would reduce energy use and maintenance costs, and increase Daystar's efficiency and overall refrigeration capacity.

Chairman Joens thanked Mr. Kopka for his presentation.

**3. Introduction of New Board Members**

Chairman Joens welcomed the three newly-elected members to Board of Directors: Foster Lamm, Joan Plunkett, and Jon Radabaugh. All three attended the Black Diamond Foundation orientation briefing on January 29<sup>th</sup>.

**4. Approval of Minutes, January 5, 2015**

The Minutes of January 5, 2015, were approved as written.

**5. Treasurer's Report**

Jim Briley presented the Monthly Financial Report. As of today's meeting, the

Foundation has \$227,149.60 in unrestricted funds. Jim reported that, as of the end of January, donors have contributed \$83,925 to the 2015 Birdies for Tampa Bay Charities fund raising initiative in the name of Black Diamond Foundation.

Projected net proceeds from the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Black Diamond Foundation Pro-Am Golf Tournament total \$58,060. Jim expects to complete the 2014 tax returns by the end of the month, and plans to turn over his responsibilities to Susan Savard at the end of February.

Jim Briley has served Black Diamond Foundation as its Treasurer since its inception in 2002. The entire Board of Directors thanked Jim for his dedication, and the lasting contributions he has made to our community.

## **6. Community Grant Requests**

### **Daystar Life Center of Citrus County**

Daystar Life Center provides emergency relief services to Citrus County residents who meet low income criteria. They provide food, clothing and financial assistance on a structured basis through their food pantry, thrift store, and social services operations.

As noted earlier in the meeting, Daystar is requesting a grant to purchase and install two commercial refrigerators and a reach-in freezer for use in their food pantry.

**MOVED BY:           DAVE BURNS**  
**SECONDED BY:       JOAN PLUNKETT**

**That Black Diamond Foundation, Inc. grant \$7,500 (Seven thousand, five hundred dollars) to Daystar Life Center of Citrus County to purchase commercial food refrigeration/freezer equipment for their Crystal River facility.**

**APPROVED.**

## **7. Old Business.**

### **2015 Black Diamond Foundation Pro-Am Golf Tournament**

Chairman Joens noted that we were down to the last items needed to close out 2015 Tournament activities. Thank you notes are being written, and will go out by mid-February. Charlotte McKim wrote an article for the February 2015 Black Diamond newsletter, *Happenings*, identifying event net proceeds, and thanking our Club staff, sponsors, tournament participants, and Black Diamond community for their support.

The 2016 Pro-Am will be held on either 25 or 26 January. The Tournament committee will seek to de-conflict the date with the 2016 PGA Merchandise Show "Demo Day" in Orlando. A number of golf professionals who have participated in the Foundation tournament over the years, have mentioned that it would be helpful if we scheduled our event on a day that did not conflict.

Bill Joens noted that Board Member Sharron Rosenberg was stepping down from her role as Tournament Volunteer coordinator, after serving many years in that capacity. Joan Plunkett volunteered to take on that responsibility going forward.

### **Foundation Annual Report**

Susan Savard noted the 2014 Annual Report is on track for publication and mailing in mid-February.

### **8. New Business.**

#### **Invitational Car Show at Black Diamond Ranch.**

Bill Joens reported that two Black Diamond residents are working on plans to host a high end invitational car show at Black Diamond Ranch in November. This follows a successful inaugural event held in the fall of 2014. There is a possibility that this event could benefit Black Diamond Foundation. Chairman Joens will ask the lead planners to come speak with our Board of Directors as they develop their concept, to determine if the members of the Foundation can assist.

### **9. Articles for Club Newsletter – “Happenings”**

Copy is due to Beverly Partain ([bpartin@blackdiamondranch.com](mailto:bpartin@blackdiamondranch.com)), by stated suspense.

Mar	YMCA	Sue Pratt	due Feb 15
Apr	Big Brothers/Big Sisters	Steve Barnes	due Mar 15
May	Early Learning Coalition	Bill Joens	due Apr 15
Jun	Watts Interview	Charlotte McKim	due May 15
Jul	CCF Scholarship Recipient Notes	Jill Ludowese	due Jun 15
Aug	BDF History	TBD	due Jul 15

### **10. Next Meeting and Adjournment**

The Board will meet next on Monday, March 2, 2015 at 4:00 pm in the clubhouse boardroom. Additional meeting dates for 2015 are: April 6, April 27, November 2, and December 7.

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm, Monday, February 2, 2015.

*Jill Ludowese*, Secretary  
Black Diamond Foundation, Inc.

Monday, February 16, 2015