

Black Diamond Foundation, Inc.
Monday, April 8, 2013
Black Diamond Ranch Club
Lecanto, Florida

Present: Steve Barnes, Jim Briley, Dave Burns, Bob Campbell, Bill Joens, Charlotte McKim, Kent Rinker, Sharron Rosenberg, Susan Savard

Absent: Mike Bays, Jill Ludowese, Susan Pratt

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Joens at 4:00 pm, April 8, 2013.

2. Approval of Minutes, March 4, 2013

The Minutes of March 4, 2013, were approved as written.

3. Treasurer's Report, March 31, 2012

Treasurer Jim Briley presented the monthly Financial Report. At the end of March, 2013, the Foundation had \$205,755.78 in unrestricted funds.

Jim reported that the month of March saw increased member giving, in response to both the 2013 Annual Appeal and the Zatzman/MacDonald wedding appeal. The Foundation should receive \$80,833.00 at the end of April as a result of the 2013 Tampa Bay Championship's Birdies for Tampa Bay Charities program. The receivables from the Pro-Am Tournament are all collected except for the sponsorship funds due from Enterprise, which should be received soon.

Jim further reported that all 2012 income tax returns have been filed.

Jim then distributed an analysis of funds disbursed which he had compiled. Discussion of the analysis ensued. It is Jim's estimate that the Foundation should have net unappropriated funds at the end of the fiscal year in the amount of \$177,728.00. Chairman Joens stated that he would like the Board to discuss the percentages of funds allocated among the Foundation's giving areas of education/scholarship, building/infrastructure and children/families in the fall of 2013.

4. Community Grant Requests

The Path of Citrus County

Chairman Joens distributed a grant request from the Path which set forth five items totaling \$20,100.00 for which funding was sought. In response to the Chairman's request, Executive Director, DuWayne Sipperly, prioritized the Path's needs: privacy fence, gazebo, donation trailer, used van and golf cart. One of the items, the used van, has already been acquired by the Path since submitting its request. Discussion ensued on the merits of the request.

MOVED BY: KENT RINKER
SECONDED BY: DAVE BURNS

That Black Diamond Foundation, Inc. grant a total of \$9,400 (Nine thousand, four hundred dollars) to The Path of Citrus County to fund its request for a privacy fence for the Women's House (\$3,300), Gazebo (\$2,800), and Donations Trailer (\$3,300).

APPROVED.

Citrus County Historical Society

At the March Foundation Board meeting, the Board discussed a request from the Historical Society for a \$1,500.00 contribution to continue to refurbish buildings on the historical register. The Board agreed to defer action on the request pending an updated annual report.

Chairman Joens reported that he communicated with Clark Stillwell, Director, who confirmed that he had no knowledge of a large, one million dollar donation to the Society, as had been rumored.

MOVED BY: SHARRON ROSENBERG
SECONDED BY: KENT RINKER

That Black Diamond Foundation, Inc grant \$1,500.00 (One thousand, five hundred dollars) to the Historical Society to continue to refurbish buildings on the Historical Register.

APPROVED.

The Sun Devil Drum and Bugle Corp

Chairman Joens read a letter from the Sun Devil Drum and Bugle Corp requesting that the Foundation become a sponsor, which would help underwrite operational expenses of the Corp. After discussion, it was the consensus of the Board that the request be denied. The acting Secretary was asked to prepare a letter informing the Corp of the decision.

Eagle Scout Project- Troop 452

Chairman Joens read a letter from Jack Mueller, a member of Boy Scout Troop 452, requesting that the Foundation contribute to the cost of his Eagle Scout project, which is constructing an elevated board walk for the Marine Science Station. After discussion, it was the consensus of the Board that the request be denied. The acting Secretary was asked to prepare a letter informing Mr. Mueller of the decision.

5. Old Business

Blind Americans

Steve Barnes reported on an organization entitled Blind Americans, whose mission is to teach blind persons how to use woodworking equipment and to be self-sufficient. Steve explained their operation and their need for teachers. The Board, after discussion, felt that the group may be better served by contacting Key Training Center or Withlacoochee Technical Institute for assistance.

Black Diamond Foundation/United Way Partnership Update

Dave Burns gave an update of the GED program, based on status reviews provided by Amy Meek, Executive of United Way. Discussion ensued, with questions being raised. Susan Savard will contact Amy Meek to ask her for a written report on the status of the program for presentation at the May Board meeting.

6. New Business

Prior to the meeting, the Board visited the Community Food Bank of Citrus County, located in Homosassa, and received a briefing on operations by the Chair of its Board, and a tour of the facility by its Director. Chairman Joens initiated a discussion among Board members regarding the visit. A general discussion then ensued regarding the decreased need for funding for food items by agencies supported by the Foundation in the past, which could free Foundation resources to support the Food Bank.

The Board agreed that the greatest need of the Food Bank at this time is a cooler/freezer and by consensus, agreed that a challenge grant would be an appropriate means for the Foundation to support the Food Bank. Chairman Joens agreed to consult with Jewel Lamb, a member of the Food Bank's Board, to learn her thoughts on the success of a challenge grant in this situation. The Chairman will then initiate an e-mail to Board members, so that the Board can act in response at the May meeting.

7. Articles for 2013 Club Newsletter – “Happenings”

May	Nature Coast Ministries	Sharron Rosenberg	due 15 Apr
June	Daystar New Building	Steve Barnes	due 15 May
July	YMCA Summer Camp	Jill Ludowese	due 15 Jun

8. Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next meeting of the Foundation Board will be held at 4:00 pm on Monday, May 6, in the clubhouse boardroom.

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Joens at 5:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Savard, Acting Secretary
Black Diamond Foundation, Inc.

Tuesday, April 23, 2013