

Black Diamond Foundation, Inc
Monday, February 7, 2011, 4:00 pm
Black Diamond Ranch Club
Lecanto, Florida

Present: Mike Bays, Jim Briley, Dave Burns, Bill Joens, Nancy Manafort, Sue Pratt,
Art Thomas, Sharron Rosenberg, Bill Williams, Jim Wood, Linda Youell

Jay Joines, for Black Diamond Foundation Pro-Am, 2011, and
Transitions Championship for Healthy Sight, 2011

Guests: Rev Doug Alexander, for CWOW – The New Church Without Walls

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm, February 7, 2011.

2. The New Church Without Walls

Jay Joines introduced Rev Doug Alexander, with whom the Foundation has worked on the Thanksgiving Feeding Alliance.

Rev Alexander proposed an employment preparation program, which his church would administer, to provide financial assistance to those who need help with education, criminal records, etc, in order to get a job. Any monies expended on behalf of an individual would be a loan to that person, and he or she would repay the loan from their wages, as soon as they secured employment. The fund would be self-supporting.

Through his work in Citrus County, Rev Alexander can identify promising candidates for this assistance. He told the Foundation that jobs are available in Citrus County. For example, CWOW held a small job fair from which 77 people were hired. About 80% of those people are still employed.

Rev Alexander requested a grant of \$2500 to start the program, and invited a representative of the Foundation to sit on the board.

Chairman Joens thanked Rev Alexander and Jay Joines for their presentation.

3. Approval of Minutes, January 10, 2011

MOVED BY: Jim Wood

SECONDED BY: Sharron Rosenberg

That the Minutes of January 10, 2011 be approved as distributed.

PASSED.

4. Treasurer's Report, January 31, 2011

Jim Briley reported that 2010 was the best income year for the Foundation.

At the end of January, the Foundation has \$223,000 in the bank, of which almost \$180,000 is unrestricted funds. Jim estimates that the Foundation's Pro-Am has approximately \$15,000 in

accounts payable. The only other obligations are the scholarship awards from previous years.

5. Re-cap: Black Diamond Foundation 8th Annual Pro-Am

Bill Joens reported that the Pro-Am netted approximately \$65,000. The Tournament Committee has its wind-up meeting on Wednesday, 09 February 2011, after which the Committee will write thank-you and acknowledgement letters, and reserve the date for the 9th Annual Pro-Am in 2012.

The PGA Merchandise Show is scheduled for Wednesday through Saturday, 25-28 January 2012, in Orlando. Therefore, the Tournament Committee will request Wednesday, 25 January 2012 for its 9th Annual Tournament.

6. Transitions Championship Bonus Pool

On behalf of Black Diamond Foundation, donors contributed \$74,736 to "Birdies for Tampa Bay Charities". This full amount is eligible for the 20% bonus pool, which means the Foundation will receive \$89,683 from the Transitions Championship for Healthy Sight ($\$74,736 + 20\% \text{ bonus} = \$89,683$).

Some of these donations were Pro-Am sponsorships, so the amounts for Birdies and Transitions are not wholly additive.

7. New Fundraising Opportunity

Bill Joens reported on the discussions with Steve and Jewel Lamb, who have donated a 2012 Chevrolet Corvette for Black Diamond Foundation and United Way of Citrus County to raffle.

Typically, there are 2000 tickets printed, at \$100 each. Each charity would have 1000 tickets to sell, and would receive all proceeds from the tickets it sold. The Foundation supported Nancy Manafort's suggestion that 2012 tickets be offered at \$100 each. The Foundation agreed that ticket packages and other promotions were not advisable at this time.

Jim Briley said that IRS might treat the proceeds as unrelated business income, which would be subject to taxation, but the tax amount would be small.

Bill Joens proposed that Black Diamond Foundation commence its sales at the Couples Member-Guest, March 2, 3, 4; and continue at the Men's M-G, March 23, 24, 25; and the Women's M-G, April 6, 7, 8.

ACTION: Dave Burns, Bill Joens, Nancy Manafort and Linda Youell will represent the Foundation on the organizing committee for the raffle.

8. Citrus Memorial Health System

Mike Bays reported on his discussions with Citrus Memorial Health System, regarding possible funding opportunities, including the new Emergency Room and Delivery Rooms.

The Foundation prefers to contribute to improvements in patient care or employee education and advancement. For example, Black Diamond Foundation has supported Seven Rivers Medical and Educational Foundation, which provides scholarships for Citrus County residents

entering a medical field.

ACTION: Mike Bays will continue his discussions and report at the March meeting.

In previous years, the Foundation has supported the Randall Jenkins Memorial Golf Tournament, which is a major fund raiser of CMHS.

MOVED BY: Linda Youell

SECONDED BY: Nancy Manafort

That Black Diamond Foundation grant \$275.00 (Two hundred seventy-five dollars) as a hole sponsorship at the Randall Jenkins Memorial Golf Tournament.

APPROVED.

9. Old Business

Jim Wood will have the 2010 Annual Report and 2011 Annual Appeal ready by the end of February 2011.

Jim Briley circulated a thank-you letter from Early Learning Coalition of the Nature Coast. The Foundation's \$3500 grant grew to \$54,845 with the multiplier from the federal government for funds raised locally.

RIVER Project (Reaching Intentional Victory, Expecting Reality), offered in the County's public schools, has had its funding reduced, and needs new funding to continue. Sue Pratt has discussed the project with its organizers, but no Foundation decision is possible at this time.

Sharron Rosenberg reported that Heather is progressing with her educational goals, and that everyone who is working with Heather is impressed, although progress is slow.

10. New Business

Art Thomas has submitted copy for the Foundation's column in the March edition of "Happenings". Bill Joens will add a paragraph about the successful Pro-Am.

Last year's successful Vision Project sponsored by VSP Insurance returns to Citrus County on March 7 (Renaissance Center, Citrus County Schools) and March 8 (Family Resource Center). Sue Pratt reported that Dr Navin Singh and Dr Thomas Dawson continued their work after the Vision Mobile left Citrus County last year. Approximately 70 additional residents received vouchers for eye exams.

Sue Pratt learned that members of the National School Nurses Association can apply for new eyeglasses on behalf of students in need. Citrus County School Board paid the membership fee

for Ms Cathy Reckenwald.

Lt Phil Royal, Law Enforcement Academy Director, Citrus County Sheriff's Office, has spoken with Dave Burns about training programs for law enforcement recruits and officers, to learn from the experience of death in the line of duty, and improve the training and safety programs for emergency responders.

Bill Williams has spoken with Larry Morabito, Fire Chief, Citrus County Dept of Fire Rescue, about the needs of the fire department.

The County has created a 17-member Public Safety Initiative Task Force to recommend whether all public safety services should fall under the Sheriff's Office. The services include law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical.

The Task Force, chaired by Sheriff Dawsy and Commissioner Joe Meek, met for the first time on February 4, 2011. The co-chairs intend to submit a recommendation to the county commission by the end of March on whether to consolidate services and possibly suggest a combination of taxes and fees to pay for public safety.

Foundation members agreed it made sense to wait until the Task Force reports, before considering grant applications from Fire Rescue.

Foundation members agreed it could receive information about law enforcement training programs.

ACTION: Dave Burns will invite Lt Phil Royal to the Foundation's March 2011 meeting.

The Foundation will table considerations of Fire Rescue needs for at least two months, pending release of the Task Force report.

Foundation members agreed that Rev Doug Alexander's community investment proposal merited support.

MOVED BY: Jim Wood

SECONDED BY: Mike Bays

That Black Diamond Foundation, Inc award \$2500 (Twenty-five Hundred Dollars) to Church Without Walls, to provide seed funding for the proposal.

PASSED.

11. Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next meeting is Monday, 07 March 2011, at 4:00 pm in the Clubhouse Boardroom.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm, Monday, 07 February 2011.

Linda M Youell, Secretary
Wednesday, 09 February 2011