

The Rotary Clubs of Gainesville Foundation, Inc.
Board Meeting Minutes
August 29th, 2018

The RCGF met on August 29, 2018, at the North Central Florida Safety Council facility. Present were: Chairman Jenni Van Hart, President Mathew Braddy (2019 Wild Game Feast Master), Wesley Eubank, Greg Fleming, Dana Nemenyi, Greg Young, Jim Craig, Ed Book, Steven Dalton, Kirk Smith, Rogers Bartley, Harvey Baxter, Grace Horvath, Sherry Houston, Buddy Irby, Parker Lawrence, Jason Shank, Mary Kate Walker

Chairman Jenni Van Hart called the meeting to order at 5:40 PM. Jenni then turned the meeting over to President Mathew Braddy.

Topics of discussion were:

- I. Motion by Jim Craig to approve minutes from last meeting, seconded by Kirk Smith. All in approval.
- II. Confirmation of additional board member, Grace Horvath. Motion to approve by Dana Nemenyi, seconded by Wes Eubank. All in approval.
- III. Confirmation of the following officers:
 - a Secretary Kirk Smith
 - b Treasurer Wesley Eubank
 - c Attorney board member – Parker LawrenceMotion to approve by Jim Craig, seconded by Mathew Braddy, all in approval.
- IV. Approval of two additional board members of the executive committee. The following directors have been recommended: Steve Dalton and Greg Fleming. Motion to approve by Dana Nemenyi and seconded by Kirk Smith. All in approval.
- V. Recommendation that the 2019 Wild Game Feast be held on Thursday, March 7th, 2019. Pricing for tickets was discussed, The pricing will remain as structured for the 2018 WGF. Individual tickets will be \$75.00 when bought in advance and will be \$100.00 the day of the feast and at the gate. A buy five tickets for \$375.00 and get the sixth ticket free option. Motion to approve by Jim Craig and seconded by Greg Young. All in approval.
- VI. Recommendation that the 2018 Seafood Spectacular be held on Thursday, November 1st, 2018. And ticket prices will remain at \$40.00 in advance and \$50.00 the day of the festival and at the gate. The purchase of four and get the fifth one free, for \$160.00. Motion to approve by Jim Craig and seconded by Grace Horvath. All in approval.
- VII. The foundation website (<http://www.rotarygainesville.org>) has had a lot of information for the foundation on this website.

- VIII. Discussion of the status of prior projects and the two projects that were approved last year. Wes Eubank stated that the Bread of the Mighty Food Bank and the Institute for Workforce Innovation have been fully funded and completed. The boys and girls club has been provided with \$177,075.00 of their \$200,000.00. The remaining balance should be used this year. The Rotary Generations Park Play Zones should be finalizing the plans soon and will be ground work in the spring. Jenni Van Hart had asked the county for an update on the Splash Park but had not received an update as of the time of our meeting.
- IX. Discussion on whether to have a session for the club presidents and the Foundation Directors in the fall of 2018. A brief history of the Rotary Conservation Area at Hatchet Creek, the Wild Game Feast, and the Rotary Clubs of Gainesville Foundation. It was suggested that there be a meeting at the Hatchet Creek site on December 11th, 2018.
- X. Discussion whether to provide Minnie Crevasse and Connie Brower with two complimentary tickets each year. In recognition of the contributions to the Foundation by Buddy Crevasse and Roger Brower, as done for the WGF in 2018. Motion to approve by Jim Craig and seconded by Jenni Van Hart. An amendment was provided by Wes Eubank to provide these tickets in perpetuity. All in approval.
- XI. Greg Young and Jason Shank will be both be King Neptune for the 2018 Seafood Spectacular. They will share the responsibility.
- XII. Discussion on how provide permanent recognition for the Pinkoson's for their contributions to Rotary. The executive committee has approved up to \$10,000.00 for this project. The preliminary thoughts are to provide a bronze marker, as often used on historic buildings and the park services. Preliminary pricing showing around \$2,000.00 for the sign plus erecting some type of marker. The decision will be handled by the executive committee. In addition a letter will be written to the Pinkoson's to give our condolences on Dr. Pinkoson's passing. Buddy Irby pointed out that this recommendation had been in 2010. But had not been followed up on. Motion to approve by Buddy Irby and seconded by Jim Craig. All in approval.
- XIII. There will be a family fun day at the WGF site on Saturday, September 29th, 9am to 2pm.
- XIV. New business. None discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:25 PM.