

Black Diamond Foundation, Inc
Monday, January 7, 2019
Black Diamond Club
Lecanto, FL

Present: Foster Lamm, Susan Savard, Mary Jane Bower, Joan Plunkett, Patrick Monea, Jon Radabaugh, Karen Evans, Shaunda Burdette

Absent: Richard Ragatz, The Honorable Mark Yerman, Kent Rinker

Guests: Joanna Castle, District VP, YMCA of the Suncoast, Citrus County Branch
David Reed, Director of Academic Enrichment, YMCA
Patrick Simon, Volunteer YMCA
Amy Meek, CEO, United Way of Citrus County
Tom O'Brien, Director, Mission United
Roger Obenauf, Black Diamond Foundation Board Candidate

- 1. Chair Foster Lamm called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m., January 7, 2019, in the Diamond Room, Black Diamond Clubhouse**
- 2. Presentations**

YMCA of the Suncoast

Joanna Castle and David Reed described the Academic Enrichment Program which is targeted at helping low-income or at-risk underperforming 1st grade children for early intervention in reading and math. The afterschool program is 3:30-5:30 two days a week and allows the students individualized and small group instruction.

At the end of the 2018 school year assessments indicated that 99% of the 139 students in the program made learning gains. This program has been in place for 3 years and data has shown to make a significant difference for these students.

United Way- Mission United

Amy Meek, CEO, and Tom O'Brien, Director, explained that Mission United is a national United Way program administered at the local level dedicated to helping local veterans in need and assisting with connecting them with resources and services to help alleviate various problems. Citrus County has the 2nd highest number of vets in Florida (per capita) and 70% are over the age of 65, so their needs are those of an aging population. Mission United is asking for a grant to fund their "Got Your Back Fund" which is a discretionary fund for help with housing, utilities, home repairs, shelter, furnishings, among other varied needs.

3. Approval of Minutes

Joan Plunkett moved that the Minutes of the December 3, 2018 meeting be approved as submitted. Susan Savard seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

4. Treasurer's Report

Susan Savard presented the interim financials.

Susan Savard moved that the board approve the restricted donation of Kent and Nan Rinker of \$3000 to The Nature Coast Ministries. Seconded by Jan Plunkett. Motion approved unanimously.

Joan Plunkett moved that we accept the Treasurer's Report. Seconded by Karen Evans. Motion approved unanimously.

5. Community Grant Requests

YMCA Academic Enrichment Program

Susan Savard moved that the Black Diamond Foundation grant \$10,000 to the YMCA Academic Enrichment Program. In addition, The Foundation further issues a Dollar for Dollar Challenge Grant to match up to \$5000 in donations from the general public for this program. Joan Plunkett seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Mission United

No action at this time. Foster will reach out to Amy Meek and Tom O'Brien for further clarification.

6. Old Business

Community Alliance Meeting

There was no December meeting. Karen Evans will attend the meeting tomorrow morning January 8, 2019.

New Board Members

Roger Obenauf indicated his desire to join the Black Diamond Foundation Board.

Foster Lamm moved that Roger Obenauf be accepted as a member of the Black Diamond Foundation Board of Directors. Shaunda Burdette seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

7. New Business

Foster will contact CF and other agencies who are due to be presenting for grants.

Mary Jane will follow up with Big Brother Big Sisters.

Foster has reserved the dated of Monday, December 9, 2019 for the next Foundation Golf Tournament

8. Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next meeting will be held at 4 pm on Monday, February 4, 2019, in the Diamond Room of the Black Diamond Clubhouse.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Jane Bower
Secretary
Black Diamond Foundation, Inc
January 8, 2019