

Black Diamond Foundation
Monday, February 4, 2019
Black Diamond Club
Lecanto, Florida

Present: Foster Lamm, Jon Radabaugh, Susan Savard, Joan Plunkett, The Honorable Mark Yerman, Kent Rinker, Shaunda Burdette, Patrick Monea and Richard Ragatz

Absent: Mary Jane Bower, Karen Evans

Guests: Travis Anderson, CEO, Boy & Girls Clubs of Citrus County
Gloria Bishop, Director, Withlacoochee Technical College

1. Chair Foster Lamm called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m., February 4, 2019, in the Diamond Room, Black Diamond Clubhouse.

2. Presentations

Boys & Girls Club of Citrus County

Travis Anderson, CEO, attended on behalf of the Boys & Girls Club of Citrus County. Travis explained that the B&G Club was the recipient of a \$1.7 million dollar grant from the federal government, which has enabled the B&G Club to make its After School, School Break and Summer Programs free to all. It is the wish of the B & G Club to do the same with its Morning Program, which is currently fee based, and cannot be made free under the auspices of the federal grant. This program currently serves approximately 100 children.

Withlacoochee Technical College

Gloria Bishop, Director of Withlacoochee Technical College, also attended to submit its Grant Application. Gloria informed the Board that the Foundation has helped approximately 300 students over the years through scholarship funds. She further indicated that it is very helpful that our Board does not restrict the scholarship funds we grant to WTC, which enables WTC to offer assistance to students in many different ways beyond tuition.

3. Approval of Minutes

Patrick Monea moved that the Minutes of the January 7, 2019, meeting be approved as presented. Roger Obenauf seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

4. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Susan Savard forwarded the final December Financial Statement and the January Financial Statement to the Board for review prior to the meeting. Total member contributions as of 12/31/18 totaled \$148,375.50 compared to \$119,501.29 as of 12/31/17. Total revenue for 2018 was \$196,473.18 and total expenses were \$198,110.43. Total liabilities and fund balances as of 12/31/18 were \$227,730.93.

Susan distributed the Summary of Annual Receipts and Disbursements, which has been updated to include 2018 numbers. Susan also distributed a financial summary of the 2018 Pro-Am Golf Tournament. Net proceeds totaled \$38,718.56. Susan mentioned that one payment in the amount of \$1,200 is still outstanding and is not included in the above total.

Finally, Susan stated that she has remitted \$31,250 to the Birdies for Tampa Bay Charities program.

Kent Rinker moved to accept the Treasurer's report, which was seconded by Jon Radabaugh. The motion was unanimously approved.

5. Community Grant Requests

Boys & Girls Club of Citrus County

Patrick Monea moved that the Foundation make a grant in the amount of \$10,000 to support the B&G Club Morning Program, and that the B&G Club provide the Board with a report at the end of the current school year which outlines the annual revenue and expenses for the Morning Program for the 2018-2019 school year, including the number of children served. Jon Radabaugh seconded. Discussion ensued. Rather than a totally free program, the consensus of the Board was that it supported a needs based scholarship program for the Morning Program. The motion was unanimously approved.

Withlacoochee Technical College

Richard Ragatz moved that the Foundation make a grant in the amount of \$15,000 to the WTC general scholarship fund, to be used as WTC sees fit to enable students to meet their educational goals by providing student scholarships, helping to obtain instructional materials and equipment, or paying for fees or other industry testing and certifications. Shaunda Burdette seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

6. Old Business

Mission United Grant Request

Shaunda Burdette moved that the Foundation make a grant to the Mission United program of the United Way of Citrus County in the amount of \$5,000, restricted as follows: that the funds are to be used only to assist Citrus County veterans through the “Got Your Back” fund which Mission United administers and that once the grant is depleted, Mission United submits a report which outlines the expenditures made with the funds, which report should include supporting documentation such as receipts or invoices. Kent Rinker seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Pro-Am Golf Tournament

Foster Lamm informed the Board that he has reserved December 8 and 9, 2019, with the Black Diamond Club as tentative dates for the 2019 Pro-Am Golf Tournament. The following Board members volunteered to serve on a Tournament Committee: Foster Lamm, Joan Plunkett, Roger Obenauf, Shaunda Burdette and Susan Savard.

7. New Business

RISE- A Place of Grace Grant Request

The Board discussed the grant request submitted by a new non-profit organization called RISE A Place of Grace which seeks to provide a program to support adults in substance abuse recovery. It was the consensus of the Board that this project does not fall within the Foundation’s grant parameters.

The Path of Citrus County

The Board discussed the grant request submitted by The Path of Citrus County seeking multi-year funding of \$15,000 per year for three years to replace the roof on the motel building with a standing seam metal roof. At the Board’s request, Foster Lamm will go back to The Path to clarify whether less inexpensive roofing alternatives exist.

Black Diamond Ladies Golf Association Conquering Cancer in Citrus County Golf Event

Foster Lamm and Susan Savard explained to the Board the request made by the organizers of the 4C golf event to utilize the Foundation as a conduit to list auction prizes on a website called Charity Buzz. This platform allows a non-profit group to post auction items on-line, which affords the group with a much wider audience of prospective bidders. Because the BDLGA is not an organized non-profit group, it has asked the Foundation to serve as the posting Organization on the site. Proceeds from the on-line auction be forwarded to the Foundation, which will then pay those proceeds to Section 501(c)(3) organizations of the BDLGA’s choice.

Susan Savard made a motion to assist the BDLGA by allowing the BDLA to use the Foundation as the Organization for posting auction items on the on-line charity auction site, Charity Buzz. Joan Plunkett seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Amazon Smile

Foster Lamm informed the Board that the Foundation is now registered with the Amazon Smile program. Through this program, the Amazon Smile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the Foundation when so designated by the purchasers.

8. Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next meeting will be held on Monday, March 4, 2019, in the Diamond Room of the Black Diamond Clubhouse. Representatives from Nature Coast Ministries and the Citrus Youth Educational Symphonic Orchestra will be attending.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Savard
Treasurer and substitute Secretary
Black Diamond Foundation, Inc.
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