

Black Diamond Foundation, Inc.
Monday, February 7, 2022 4:00 pm
Meeting via Zoom
Lecanto, Florida

Present: Roger Obenauf, Foster Lamm, Pat Monea, Jon Radabaugh, Judge Bruce Carney, Joan Plunkett, Mary Jane Bower, Shaunda Burdette,

Absent: Lisa Honnold, Dick Ragatz,

Guests: Pat Lancaster, Director, Take Stock in Children
Tom O'Brien, Director, Mission United

Presentations:

Take Stock in Children: Pat Lancaster explained the program. TSC provides mentors for children 6-12 grades and provides college scholarships to any Florida college for those who complete the program successfully. These children must meet certain qualifications of good grades, attendance, and financial need for higher education. Funds raised by TSC are matched by the Florida Prepaid state program. Request: \$8,000 for scholarships.

Mission United: Tom O'Brien explained the "Got Your Back" Program of Mission United and the challenges facing so many veterans in Citrus County. They help veterans with an array of emergency issues such as rent, utilities and housing repairs. He shared how hard it is right now to find low-income housing in Citrus. Request: \$10,000.

Minutes:

Approval of minutes of January 3, 2022 moved by Pat Monea and seconded by Jon Radabaugh. Approved unanimously.

Financials:

Roger Obenauf presented current financial statement showing total fund balance of \$285,793.80 and unrestricted funds of \$280,793.80.

Motion to approve January Financial statement made by Pat Monea and seconded by Hon. Bruce Carney. Approved unanimously.

Grant Requests:

Directed donations as follows:

Foster Lamm \$5000 directed donation to Community Food Bank.

Sharron Rosenberg \$10,000 directed donation to Els Foundation for Autism.

Sharron Rosenberg \$5,000 directed donation to Family Resource Center

Jay Joines \$1,500 directed donation to YMCA

Motion to approve directed donations made by Foster Lamm and seconded by Mary Jane Bower. Approved unanimously.

Take Stock in Children

Moved by Foster Lamm and seconded by Joan Plunkett to grant \$8000 for scholarships. Approved unanimously.

Mission United

Moved by Joan Plunkett and seconded by Mary Jane Bower to grant \$10,000 to Mission United "Got Your Back" Fund.

New Business:

Shaunda Burdette informed the Board of the huge homelessness problem affecting over 400 Citrus County school children. Transitional housing is needed and no housing is available. A stable environment is needed and the Education Foundation is spending 4-5,000 a month to help families.

Human trafficking was discussed.

Next Meeting: March 7, 2022

Meeting adjourned at 5:00pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Jane Bower
Recording Secretary
Black Diamond Foundation, Inc
February 19, 2022