

Minutes of Board Meeting December 10, 2012

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Desert Recreation Foundation was held at The First Tee Clubhouse located at 74-945 Sheryl Avenue, Palm Desert, California.

Board of Directors in Attendance:

John Henry Garcia, President Brandt Kuhn, Vice President Charlie Smith, Director

Joshua Bonner, Treasurer

Chris Brooks, Director

Desert Recreation District Staff and Other:

Glenn Miller, Golf Course, Parks & Grounds Maintenance Manager Mr. & Mrs. J. David Miller (South Cal Coyotes Football Team)
Rosie Welmas
Bob Guanatt (Bobby G)

TFT Advisory Board in Attendance:

Bill Appel, President

Keenan F. Barber, M.D.

Chris Brooks

Tay Fried

Anthony T. Holder

Chris Keener

Brandt Kuhn

Bill Madonna

Christopher Allen by phone from Las Vegas

1. **Opening Ceremonies:**

Call to Order: President Garcia called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM

Roll Call:

Present: Garcia, Smith, and Brooks Absent: Bonner (came in at 5:04) Kuhn (came in at 5:05)

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

September 25, 2012

Board Member Brooks made the motion to approve the September 25, 2012 minutes, second by Board Member Smith.

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Ayes: Garcia, Smith, and Brooks

Noes: None

Absent: Bonner (came in at 5:04 after item 2 Approval of Meeting Minutes)

Kuhn (came in at 5:05 after item 2 Approval of Meeting Minutes)

Abstain: None

President Garcia stated they were having two meetings in one, the Foundation Board and TFT Advisory Board. It makes sense since two of TFT Advisory Board members are also members at the Foundation Board.

President Garcia stated they were going to start with old business and come back to financials and updates later.

3. Old Business:

President Garcia stated that the Desert Recreation District (DRD) is going to have short promotional segments of 10 to 15 minutes on the local channel KESQ Channel 3. They are going to let the Foundation have one of those promotional spots and explain what the Foundation is doing. It will give the DRF some publicity.

A couple of grant requests have gone out. The last event Century Ride was about three weeks ago and they committed \$4,000.00. The Foundation has not received that money yet, but Mr. Miller stated they have 30 days from the event to provide the funds. Those funds are specifically for Trips for Kids, a nationwide program started in Northern California. Kids are taught the safety of biking, maintaining a bike, fixing a tire and that will earn them a bike. Mr. Garcia thanks the volunteers that helped and worked very hard on this event.

Also Mr. Garcia is looking to expand the Foundation Board, if they know of anybody who is a good fit.

The Foundation oversees various programs, Trips for Kids, TFT of the Coachella Valley, International Sports Festival (used to be called Senior Game), Gymnastics and Fields for Football. If the District has to build anything major they have to pay prevailing wages but the Foundation is able to generally get lower costs on construction. When the Foundation reaches out for donations they are very lucky the District helps with the events, so 100% of the money raised goes directly to the programs.

4. Financial Report

Mr. Miller reviewed the Financial Statements. For September TFT started at \$178,985.80 and had revenues from the Dick Kelly open at Desert Willow and some donations, not many expenditures. Balances; TFT has \$148,807.84, LPGA/USGA \$2,500.00, Marketing \$19,401.10, the Marci Hyman (Scholarship) \$4,000.00 now can be used anyway they want, Cycle Fest \$566.27, Gymnastics \$482.16 and Trips for Kids \$1,900.00. October TFT started at \$179,295.80, TFT had \$2,342.00 from small donations, they had some expenses from the Dick Kelly Tournament \$1,380.00, the balances are the same as September with exception of TFT \$148,948.52. November TFT started at \$175.080.45, they had revenue of \$4,840.00 from donations and some sales. The main expense are the duffle bags that are going to have the logo and are going to be given away for the event at The Classic Club on February 16. The balance for TFT was a little low because of all the expenditures but in the next couple of weeks they will start seeing some money coming in.

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(See financial statements)

Board Member Bonner made the motion to accept the financial statements, second by Board Member Smith.

Ayes: Garcia, Kuhn, Bonner, Smith, and Brooks

Noes: None Absent: None Abstain: None

5. <u>Presentations:</u>

None

6. Updates and General Information:

Football – There were two guests present, Mr. & Mrs. J. David Miller. Mr. J. David Miller is the manager of the South Cal Coyotes. Mr. J. David Miller is a writer; he moved to the Desert to finish his 13th book and came out of retirement to manage the Coyotes. They are a AAA semi-professional football team, they missed the championship by 3 points. They have 71 players, 25% of them are between the ages of 22 and 26, and some are 19 fresh out of high school. Their quarterback Nate Lewis from Cathedral City is the National player of the year. They spend as much time on the community as they do on the field. They have a big fan base in the Desert and would like to have a field in the area to be able to play on. They are ready to start their games on January 5, 2013. They do not need anything fancy but instead something big.

Mr. Glenn Miller stated we have the land but lights and concessions stands are the most expensive in building a field, the cost of lights could be around \$125,000.00. He recommended for the Coyote's to stay with The Polo Club or other location for a year. Since DRF can't make things happen in two weeks. President Garcia stated he would like to have a meeting before year end with the Millers to try to create a mentoring program.

Mr. Glenn Miller informed the Board he had a meeting with a gentleman by the name of Chip Lyman 72 ½ years old who has a life insurance of \$7,000,000.00 and wants to donate part to TFT when he pass away.

For next meeting Mr. Miller will discuss some policies that are not in place at DRF. Whistleblower – Conflict of Interest – Disclose and resolve possible conflicts of officers, directors and trustees – Retention and destruction.

7. <u>New Business:</u>

None

8. Next Meeting

Agenda items for meeting on January 29, 2013

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9. Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Nelly Marsee, Board Clerk

John Henry Garcia, President of the Board