

Santa Fe Springs Chamber/League Youth Enrichment Fund
YEF Board Meeting Minutes
June 10, 2020

The Santa Fe Springs Chamber/League Youth Enrichment Fund Board of Directors met on June 10, 2020, 1:00pm, via a Zoom conference call.

Call to Order:

The Santa Fe Springs Chamber/League Youth Enrichment Fund Board of Directors meeting was called to order by President Patricia Kotze at 1:10 pm.

Present:

YEF President Patricia Kotze (Compliance Training Group)
Chamber President Susan Crowell (HealthFirst Medical Group)
Chamber President-Elect Daniel O'Marah (Starbucks)
Vice President Wendy Meador-Kunert (Tangram Interiors)
Treasurer Liz Buckingham (Friendly Hills Bank)
Kathie Fink (CEO, SFS Chamber)
Directors:
Debbie Baker (Simpson Advertising, Inc.)
Darryl Blunk (Apffels Coffee)
Lisa Boyajian (Ansa Insurance Services)
Ray Cruz (City Manager, City of SFS)
Mike Foley (Cushman & Wakefield of California)
Paul Hesse (Penta Pacific Properties)
Joanne Klemm (Comet Employment Agency)
Rick Landis (SFS Swap Meet)
Fred Latham (Retired SFS City Manager)
Daniel J. McMillan (Stifel)
Bill Rounds (Councilmember, City of Santa Fe Springs)
Bill Struett (Triangle Distributing Co.)
Tom Summerfield (Cascade Pump)
Youth Services Coordinator Sue Grana

Absent:

Moshe Sassover (Golden Springs Development Co.)
Mickey Shubin (Serv-Wel Disposal & Recycling)
Sharon Wu (Roquemore, Pringle & Moore)

Approval of Minutes:

President Kotze asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes of April 8, 2020 which were posted on the YEF website.

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Dan McMillan, seconded by Debbie Baker and passed unanimously. The minutes were approved as presented.

YEF at a Glance:

Because we were on Zoom, the YEF Calendar was not presented.

Financial Reports:

Treasurer Buckingham presented the May 2020 financials which were emailed to all board members. She reported that as of May, our cash position is <\$-4,486.25>

Patricia Kotze requested a motion for approval of the March 2020 financials. A motion was made by Susan Crowell, seconded by Mike Foley and passed unanimously.

Action Items:

Elect New YEF Directors:

Susan Crowell presented a recommendation from the Nominating Committee to elect the following candidates to the Youth Enrichment Fund Board of Directors to serve a two-year term of office beginning July 1, 2020 and terminating June 30, 2022:

Debbie Baker – Simpson Advertising, Inc.
Mike Foley – Cushman & Wakefield of California, Inc.
Joanne Klemm – Retired, Comet Employment Agency
Patricia Kotze – Compliance Training Group
Rick Landis – Santa Fe Springs Swap Meet
Wendy Meador-Kunert – Tangram Interiors

Patricia Kotze requested a motion to approve the recommendation of the Nominating Committee. A motion was made by Dan McMillan, seconded by Lisa Boyajian, and passed unanimously.

Fireworks Update:

President Kotze announced that after compiling the results from the Fireworks Survey which was sent to the YEF Board, we have decided to cancel the 2020 Fireworks Stand. Feedback from the Board indicating concern over the logistics of maintaining social distancing, recruiting enough volunteers and the perception from the community contributed to the decision that the YEF should skip fireworks this year.

Sponsor Letter Update:

President Kotze reported that the YEF Update letter was mailed to all who sponsored the Destiny Dinner last year. Unfortunately some are working from home so we hope their mailed is being forwarded to them.

YEF Revenue Ideas:

The idea of a "Virtual" Destiny Dinner was raised which generated a discussion with a lot of participation and ideas. Ideas included having some type of event that we market as virtual and people donate what they can. The importance of the continuity of the Destiny Dinner is important and a virtual event would show this.

Approaching past sponsors was also addressed. Tom Summerfield suggested that we ask for donations earlier than later as many businesses already budgeted sponsorships. Giving businesses the opportunity to make donations while still being sensitive to the fact that many businesses are no longer in a position to do so must be a priority.

The ideas of an online silent auction and creating a video to highlight the students and the sponsors were raised.

Fred Latham moved that we form a sub-committee to create a strategy and initiate a fundraising effort. Dan McMillan seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The following YEF Board Members volunteered to be on the sub-committee: Debbie Baker, Darryl Blunk, Lisa Boyajian, Susan Crowell, Mike Foley, Paul Hesse, Patricia Kotze, Rick Landis, Fred Latham, and Tom Summerfield.

Committee Briefings:

Scholarships:

Scholarship Chairperson Joanne Klemm announced that the scholarship committee selected Dean Pulido as the 2020 Destiny Recipient and Emily Arcos as the 2020 Powell Grant recipient. We did not receive any applications for the Crowell-Cerritos College Scholarship (it was noted that the schools being closed due to COVID-19 probably contributed to the lack of applications).

Adjourn:

YEF President Patricia Kotze adjourned the Zoom meeting at 1:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sue Grana, Youth Services Coordinator