

October 19, 2017

4:00 – 6:30 pm

Meeting Place: Newfield Conference Room
4 Waterway Ct.
Spring, TX 77380

Attendance: BOARD MEMBERS – Connie Goers , Denny McGuire, Nancy Kosh, Patrick Flaherty, Martin Evans, Jimmy Dotson, Todd Bryant, Gary Packer, Mike Maher, STAFF – MG Tindall, Sheila Greaver, Tommy Middleton, Michelle Bellaire, Kali Moxley ON PHONE: Bob Marlowe, Kathy

Absent: Peggy Boyce, Nel Somarriba, Chris Osborne, Joey Vest

4:05 pm Call to Order/Opening Prayer – Denny McGuire

4:06 Prayer – Patrick Flaherty

4:08 PM Approval of August Meeting Minutes: Patrick Flaherty – motion, Jimmie Dotson – second – approved

4:10 PM Gala Recap – MG Tindall

- MG went over the Fun Facts handout – highlighting important points
- 49 tables – 100% participated
- 75% of the bidders participated
- 21 tables had 100% participation by its guests
- Gala brought in \$447,057
- \$2000 raised by the Texas Art for the Hurricane Victims in the neighborhood
- September 29, 2018 – next year’s gala

4:20 PM Property Update – Connie Goers

- Connie went over the handout she prepared on potential locations/ their pros and cons
- Woodforest property – concern with flooding – do we want to move to another property that floods – will we be in the same position we are in now - still no decision on restrictions being removed or approved – may not happen until November at the earliest
- Conroe property – 1.65 million – rural area – 2 mile county road – not in flood plain – longer distance
- Foxcroft - Gary and Patrick met with Mike Seader - could potentially purchase for \$2.2 million, close in 60 days – property was dry after Hurricane Harvey – possibility of keeping up the boarding business to cover some of the costs until we can get all of the funds raised – Gary is going to look into IMPACT loan (from a 501c3 to another 501c3) – MG to follow up with who purchased the 5 acres in front of the property – and verify how much Foxcroft takes in with the boarding – discussed the possibility of donor financing - finance committee to come up with initial offer, possibly \$2.1 million and negotiate terms

- Motion – Denny McGuire – How Do We Go After Foxcroft? – Come up with a financial plan, potential donors, financing possibilities, meet with Ray at Woodforest Bank to find out what we need in order to get funding; Patrick Flaherty – first, Jimmie Dotson – second, motion approved

5:30 PM Safety Manual Update – Tommy Middleton

- Discussion of Guns on Property
- Conceal carry – guns locked in car – cannot restrict this – TX Law
- Should some staff be trained/carry should a situation arise – overwhelming no
- Tommy suggested checking with attorneys regarding laws – Inspiration Ranch is not the same as a school/government building – can/can't follow same procedures as high schools
- Tommy will redraft Gun Policy – final draft next week

5:40 PM Education Series – New Website – Kali Moxley

- Presentation of the new website – will be released next week – great job Kali!

5:45 PM Questions on reports and committees – MG Tindall/Sheila

- Gary had questions on Sheila's report – still not seeing what he would like as far as yearly comparisons – how do we know how we are doing – nothing to compare it with – pace of which we are applying in relation to last year – he and MG will meet to discuss how to improve this
- Denny would like to see red/yellow/green on spreadsheets
- MG presented the board a slideshow of her trip to the Ukraine/Belarus – talked about the wonderful things they are doing at Green Ranch to help the children in the orphanages – Inspiration Ranch may host an instructor from there so that he/she can get PATH certified – great experience

5:55 PM New/Old Business

- Christmas Party – December 14 – Connie Goers will host at her home

6:00 PM Committee Meetings

6:25 PM Closing Prayer – Todd Bryant

Minutes respectively written and distributed by Michelle Bellaire, Executive Assistant, email: michelle@inspirationranch.org

Board Approval _____