

**Friends of Camp El-O-Win  
Board Meeting Minutes  
March 9, 2017**

**Present:** Colleen Martinez, Melanie LeCat, Margy Becker, Gayle Duffy

**Absent:** Adrienne Davis, , Marc Bradford

**Guests:** Jane Martin, Stacey Ruble, Denise Baker

**Call to Order/Introductions**

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 PM

**Consent Agenda:**

- Minutes for the February meeting and financials for February were reviewed. The minutes and financials were approved.

**MSC: LECAT/BECKER** all Aye/0 Nay/0 Abstentions

**STRATEGIC PLAN:**

- Our strategic plan is in need of updating.
- In the area of fundraising, we need to come up with more avenues/events to raise funds to support the organization. Jane distributed a list of some fundraising ideas. Some ideas offered included:
  - Semi-Annual giving letter
  - Online fundraising like GoFundMe, Indiegogo. These would require specific projects that would be targeted for the campaign
  - Events/Non-Events
    - Drive Thru dinner (September)
    - Paint Nite (Melanie and Margy volunteered to organize for May/June)
    - Invitation to donate – save the cost of going to an event by just sending us money
    - Craft Night
  - Direct Asks – letter writing, one on one meetings
  - Grants
- Denise Baker's daughter Erika has volunteered to help with our Social Media presence on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

**REPORTS/UPDATES:**

• **PRESIDENT'S UPDATES:**

- The board is currently without a president since Nancy's resignation in February
- Under consideration for president on tonight's ballot is Jane Martin. No other candidates have stepped forward for the presidency.

• **OPERATIONS UPDATES:**

- Bunco and Baskets Update – Colleen Martinez: We are still in need of several baskets for the silent auction and gift cards/certificates for our prizes. Gift baskets should have a value of \$75 or more and gift cards \$30-\$50. We are still in need of donors for our "Lets Go Out to the Ballgame" basket and "Iron Chef". A letter was given to each board member to help facilitate obtaining donations from local restaurants/businesses for the auction.
- Please share the event flyer on Facebook, by e-mail, etc. We would really like to have record attendance at this year's event.

• **CAMP:**

- Jane Martin has been visiting Service Unit cookie rallies and meetings. People are receptive to camp and are looking at group camp weekends with interest.
- Our first scheduled weekend is filled and the last weekend in August the Humanics Department from Fresno State is bringing 35 campers.

- Lee Nave has been involved with the Fresno Women's Conference for many years. An application has been filed for a \$4,000 grant that they offer to purchase new healing archery targets and the cost of a portable mill service that will be used during the Be A Builder camp session to mill wood for the new archery storage building.
- The Be A Builder session is a project camp for girls in 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade. A professional contractor will come to camp and supervise the construction of a new storage shed for the archery equipment.
- Sheila and Ken donated another \$4,000 worth of small bikes for the Mountain Biking program. We now have the ability to accommodate 18 riders with bikes, helmets and extra tire tubes.
- A request has been made to add a trailer for the bikes to the wish list to transport the bikes up and back from camp. Stacey Ruble suggested we look into the requirements for vehicle registration before we determine the size of the trailer. We will look to a school/Girl Scout or Boy Scout to execute the project once we have determined the parameters.
- **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT:**
  - Jane attended a meeting last Friday with State officials regarding the fire danger/evacuation plans for camps in our area. They are very worried about fire danger and falling trees with the recent bark beetle infestation, drought and subsequent heavy rain/snow fall. They stated that there would be camps in the area that would not be allowed to open this year due to tree danger. There are still a lot of "ifs" for this summer season. We can expect many inspections and possible fire/tree issues on the property.
  - As a result of the meeting, our evacuation plan is being revised.
  - Because of the grants we have received in past years for fire clearance assistance and the diligence of our volunteers Dave and Melinda Von Bossuyt we have a better chance than some that our danger is minimal on the property.

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

- Tonight the board is presented with the March 2017 ballot for election of Board Members/Officers.
  - Melanie LeCat has volunteered for the Treasurer position.
  - On the ballot for President is Jane Martin
  - There are no candidates for the Vice President position
  - Potential board members are: Jane Martin, Luke Fisher
- Results of the election are: Jane Martin for President, Colleen Martinez will continue as Secretary and Melanie LeCat as Treasurer. New board member Luke Fisher was also voted in.

**MSC: DUFFY/BECKER** all Aye/0 Nay/ 0 abstentions

- The board was then asked to vote on the 2017/2018 budget presented at the February meeting. There were no objections to the budget as presented.

**MSC: DUFFY/LECAT** all Aye/0 Nay/ 0 abstentions

**NEXT BOARD MEETING THURSDAY, April 13, 2017 AT CSN 6 PM**

**Adjourn at 7:25 pm**

**MSC: MARTINEZ/LECAT** all Aye/0 Nay/0 abstentions

**Respectfully submitted,**  
Colleen Martinez

#### **Reminders:**

Use your **SHARES card** at Savemart, Lucky, Food Maxx

Use **Good Search** search engine to surf the web – they send us money for each search

Use **AmazonSmile** when you purchase from Amazon.com and EOW will benefit