



Breakfast Exchange Club Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2020 – 5:45 P.M.

Yellowstone Room

Members in Attendance

René Critelli - *President*; Ed Kaufman - *Treasurer*; Tanya Tweten - *Secretary*;
Mike Fleming - *Business Manager*; Cory Hasiak - *Past President*

Directors: Lisa Jensen, Tanner Critelli, Bruce Glennie

Members Absent

Dina Harmon - *President-Elect*;

Directors: Wiley Taylor, Shawnee Krauszer, Dan Singer

Guests in Attendance

Kevin Davis, Dave Staton, Bruce Jensen, Gene Jarussi (by telephone)

Whitney Griffin with sponsor Kristen Stroebe

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

A. Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Jan 2020 Meeting Minutes

Bruce made a motion to approve the January minutes - 2nd by Tanner. Passed unanimously.

II. OFFICER REPORTS

Secretary's Report:

Secretary Tanya Tweten reported that membership stands at 168 with the addition of Whitney Griffin. Ben and Hannah Tougas were voted in as new members in January, and Doug Stovall resigned after the January Board meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Ed Kaufman submitted the financial reports to the Board for review. He reported that the general account will dwindle after cutting grant checks, and the membership account is looking good. A few arrears letters will be mailed.

President Elect's Report:

René reported that the Feb 22 Monster Trucks schedule is out. Upcoming events are PBR (April 17-19) and Cher (April 26).

Business Manager Report:

Business Manager Mike Fleming reported that ticket sales for Cher are at 8,000.

"Finding Neverland" is scheduled for April 2 (Peter Pan themed, not MJ themed). We will have a few servers at that event.

In This Moment is scheduled for May 15.

Toby Keith is scheduled for June 19.

Mike will serve a couple kegs at the NAIA Tournament in March.

There are a few events on the horizon for next fiscal year - one in July and one in October.

With no events the past couple months, gross sales for the year stands at \$335,300.

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Grants Committee

Attached are the grant recommendations for the 2nd Quarter of 2019/20, which were presented by Kevin Davis on behalf of the grants committee. The committee met on February 4. Thirteen grant requests were submitted totaling \$79,750. The sum of \$44,560 was available for granting and \$41,250 of that was granted. Bruce made a motion to accept the funding of the grant recommendations as presented - 2nd by Tanner. Passed unanimously.

Social Committee

Tanner reported that the social committee will probably be meeting sometime in late March.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. New Member Application

Whitney Griffin came before the Board with her sponsor Kristen Stroebe. After she was interviewed by the Board, Lisa made the motion to accept Whitney as a member upon receipt of payment - 2nd by Tanner. Passed unanimously.

B. Update on Metra Contract

Dave Staton, Bruce Jensen, and Gene Jarussi (by telephone) were in attendance to discuss the renewal/negotiation of the Metra Contract with BEC, which expires on August 31, 2020. Dave and René were scheduled to meet with County Commissioner Don Jones and Metra Park Asst. General Manager Tim Goodridge on February 14, 2020, however, Gene would like to attend that meeting and is out of town until March. Cory made a motion that the Feb 14 meeting be rescheduled after the next BEC Board meeting - 2nd by Lisa. Passed unanimously.

V. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Submitted 2/12/20 by Tanya Tweten



MEMORANDUM

February 5, 2020

From: Kevin Davis & Ed Kaufman, Co-Chairman

To: Officers and Board of Directors, Breakfast Exchange Club

Subject: Grant Request Recommendations for 2nd Quarter, 2019-2020

Grants Committee met Tuesday, February 4, 2020 to review and consider the following grant applications. Recommendations are as indicated.

1. Billings Depot – Requests \$3500 to help fund their REVEL fundraising event which will help develop their mentorship program for youth of our community interested in the areas of business, entrepreneurship, art, culinary skills, philanthropy, and collaborative thinking. **Recommend NO GRANT (Unanimous vote)**
2. Boys and Girls Club of Carbon County – Requests \$7500 to fund their after school programming for the months of September-December. **Recommend carrying forward to 3rd Quarter requests. (Unanimous vote)**
3. Eagle Mount – Requests \$7500 to support their Special Needs Adaptive Skiing Program for School District 2 **Recommend grant in amount of \$7500. (Unanimous vote)**
4. Montana State University Billings – Requests \$7500 to help fund the high school Dual Enrollment Program at MSU-B and City College. Funding will provide 48 high school students to take one three credit- class at no cost to the student. **Recommend NO GRANT (Unanimous vote)**
5. Special K Ranch – Requests \$7500 for CPR class supplies and life-saving medical emergency equipment for their ranch . **Recommend grant in amount of \$2500 for purchase of two AED – automated external defibrillators. (Unanimous vote)**
6. Volunteers of America Northern Rockies – Request \$7500 for Camp Postcard, a summer program that teams up law enforcement officer mentors with at-risk youth to develop a variety of skills. **Recommend grant in amount of \$2000. (Unanimous vote)**

7. YWCA Billings – Requests \$7500 for expenses attendant to operation of their Gateway Shelter which serves victims of domestic violence. **Recommend grant in amount of \$7500. (Unanimous vote)**
8. Life Skills FORE Montana Youth – Requests \$4500 to support their 2020 Summer Program at PAR 3 Golf Course that provides scholarships to kids and builds character and instills life-enhancing values and promoting healthy choices through the game of golf. **Recommend NO GRANT (Unanimous Vote)**
9. Landon's Legacy Foundation – Requests \$7500 to help fund a fence around Landon's Miracle Field, an inclusive baseball field and splash pad for children with disabilities in the Billings Community. **Recommend grant of \$5000. (Unanimous Vote)**
10. Boys and Girls Clubs of Yellowstone County – Request \$7500 to help fund scholarships for their club's 2020 Summer Program. Their five clubs in the Billings area serve 2000 kids. **Recommend grant in amount of \$7500. (Unanimous vote)**
11. DCI – Dialysis Clinic, Inc – Requests \$250 to help fund their Walk for Kidneys. That event raises funds to help kids with diabetes attend a summer camp. **Recommend grant of \$250. (Unanimous Vote)**
12. Montana Rescue Mission – Requests \$10,000 to help fund the purchase of a refrigerated delivery truck to transport donated foods to their shelters. **Recommend grant of \$7500. (Unanimous vote)**
13. Yellowstone Valley Special Olympics – Requests \$1500 to fund the rental of the Montana Pavilion at METRAPARK for their upcoming dinner/dance/carnival on April 24, 2020. **Recommend grant of \$1500 to be utilized for meal expenses. (Unanimous vote)**

Total amount of grant requests is \$79,750. Recommendations total \$41,250 of the \$44,560 total available for grants for 2nd Quarter. The remaining \$3310 will be carried forward to 3rd quarter.

The Red Lodge Area Community Foundation sent a letter asking BEC to consider supporting them due to an upcoming end of support from the State. Committee agreed that they should be directed to the BEC website grant application process.