

BOARD MEETING MINUTES June 13, 2012

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kyle Frush Audrey Perry Jack Rentz Mike Hernandez **Sue Ball**

Kim Snyder

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT:

Col. Kristina O'Brien Nicki Harle

Nanci Liles

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Bill Gollihar Jennifer Lee-Shultz Bill Neal **Kelly Kinard Bob Gee Lvnn Barnett** Margaret Hoogstra **Chuck Statler** Mike Alexander **David Vela** Jay Evans **Peter Lauve Jeff Gore Ron Butler**

STAFF PRESENT:

Pamela Wells Jeff Salmon

GUESTS PRESENT:

Randy Burchell Stephen Harrell Randy Teakell H.C. Zachry

- 1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS. Lacking a quorum of the board, Board President Kim Snyder called the meeting to order in the Frontier Texas! Board Room, 625 North First Street, Abilene, Texas. Ms. Snyder introduced Randy Burchell, Randy Teakell, and Stephen Harrell, nominees to the Board of Directors.
- 2. REVIEW FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF POSITION. Board Treasurer, Sue Ball presented the May Statement of Financial Position.
- 3. CONSENT AGENDA. The Consent Agenda was tabled for lack of a quorum.

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT AND POSSIBLE ACTION.

- a. Exhibit Redevelopment Plans. Ms. Snyder asked committee member, H.C. Zachry to give a report on the redevelopment activities. Mr. Zachry reported that the Buffalo Skull has been installed on the parade grounds. It weighs 4,000 pounds and is made out of steel. It was modeled from a 12-year old buffalo skull owned by Tom Perini. There is a path through the eyes and out the nose for children to crawl through which has been coated for added protection. The T&T Foundation paid for the skull sculpture and picnic tables to be installed on the parade grounds. Mr. Zachry also discussed some of the future installation plans including a project for the parade grounds that is being donated by Jack Rentz. New promised sponsorships for the redevelopment include \$150,000 from A.V. Jones and a pending donation of \$125,000 from an as yet unnamed source. Mr. Zachry estimates the Rentech donation is an \$80,000 or \$90,000 gift. Ms. Snyder added that with the A.V. Jones and the pending gift, the Dodge Jones Challenge will essentially be met. Ms. Snyder thanked Mr. Zachry for all his volunteer work on the redevelopment project.
- 5. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND POSSIBLE ACTION.

- **a. Education Committee.** Executive Director, Jeff Salmon reported this was the smoothest school tour season Frontier Texas! ever had. There were schools from over 50 school districts around Texas.
- **b. Fundraiser Committee.** Committee Chair, Kyle Frush reported the Happy Hour meeting happened and the committee has been able to confirm commitments for the upcoming Buffalo Chip Classic on September 29th. Ms. Snyder mentioned the Margarita Contest, Best Vehicle and Best Costume contests, the Buffalo Gun contest, and the Chicken Sh** Contest will return this year.
- **6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT.** Mr. Salmon reported Frontier Texas! is participating with the Abilene Cultural Affairs Council in the Dr. Seuss Festival this weekend. Other non-profits will oversee activities on the parade grounds. Mr. Salmon also mentioned the annual summer camps will take place next week. Mr. Salmon announced he is beginning the budgeting process.
- 7. NEXT MEETING DATE. The next board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 15, 2012 at 10 a.m.

8. ADJOURNMENT. As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Compiled by Pamela Wells

Reviewed by Jeff Salmon