

**KEEP ABILENE BEAUTIFUL  
BOARD MEETING  
August 3, 2011  
Al's Mesquite Grill**

**OFFICERS PRESENT**

Martin Garcia, President  
Stephanie Kraly, President Elect  
Dede Morris, Secretary

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Carolyn Cockerell  
Alice Bull  
Raymond Grothaus  
Doug Hodel

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Malcolm Bramlett, Treasurer  
Tara Castille  
Jo Ann Szech

**ADVISORY MEMBERS PRESENT**

Theresa James  
Jon James

**COMMUNITY PARTNERS/ADVISORY MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mary Ann Martin

**GUESTS PRESENT:**

Richard Bull  
Sarah Kieschnick  
E'Lisa Smetana

**Item I:**      **Call to Order.** Martin Garcia, President, called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

**Item II:**      **Approval of Minutes.** Board meeting minutes from the July Board meeting were presented to the Board for their approval. Minutes were reviewed with no corrections or discussion; Stephanie Kraly made the motion to accept the minutes as written, Doug Hodel seconded the motion and through a show of hands the motion passed unanimously.

**Item III:**      **Treasurer's Report.** Malcolm Bramlett, Treasurer, was out of town for the August Board meeting but had the Treasurer's Report ready and it was presented by Mr. Garcia to the Board for their review and approval. Mr. Garcia made mention that we did get one check for \$1,356.00 from Allied Waste which represents two months and a check from RWL for \$860.00. Mr. Bramlett had also received the hotel bill for the board members that attended the KTB conference in June and that check for \$1,476.90 was notated on the August report as well. The report was reviewed with no discussion from the Board. Dede Morris made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as written; Alice Bull seconded it and through a show of hands the motion carried unanimously.

<b>General Operating Account</b>	<b>Checks Written/Cost</b>	<b>Deposits</b>
<b>Balance as of 07/06/11</b>		
\$28645.54	\$1476.90	\$2216.00
<b>General Operating Account</b>		
<b>Balance as of 08/03/11</b>		
\$29,384.64		

**Item IV:      Action Items:**

**A. KAB Board Officer Elections-**Mr. Garcia brought up discussion about the annual elections of Officers for the Keep Abilene Beautiful board. He indicated we need to confirm the President Elect, Stephanie Kraly who was nominated and voted for last year as the new President to take over the 2011/2012 year. All Board members in attendance vote unanimously to confirm Ms. Kraly as our next President for 2011/2012. Next action item related to Board elections was that we needed to elect a President elect for the 2012/2013 Board year. Ms. Kraly made the motion to nominate Raymond Grothaus as the President Elect; he graciously accepted the nomination and the Board unanimously voted to elect Mr. Grothaus as our President Elect for 2012/2013. Mr. Garcia continued discussion of the officer elections with the Treasurer position. There were no nominations notated but Mr. Garcia indicated that Mr. Bramlett had agreed to continue his term for another year as Treasurer if the Board approved it. Mr. Garcia made the recommendation to the Board that Mr. Bramlett continue as Treasurer and through a unanimous vote the entire Board approved it. The next officer election was in relation to the Secretary/Parliamentarian position. No new nominations were made but Mr. Garcia asked the current Secretary, Dede Morris, if she would continue her position as Secretary along with the new duties as Parliamentarian for another term. Ms. Morris confirmed that she would if approved by the Board. Ms. Kraly made the motion for Ms. Morris to continue her position as Secretary/Parliamentarian for the next term, and the Board voted unanimously to approve it. Board Officers for 2011/2012 will be: Stephanie Kraly-President, Raymond Grothaus-President Elect, Malcolm Bramlett-Treasurer, and Dede Morris-Secretary/Parliamentarian.

**Item V:      Non-Action Items:**

- A. Coordinator's Report**—Nicole Eaves, KAB Coordinator, reported that the KAB Audit information would be presented at the September Board meeting and all Board members would be needed to review and vote. Nicole also reported that through discussions with the committee for Together 2011 the Storm Water Division would fund the purchase of the Adopt a Street/Creek signs through their bylaws of litter control. The agreement is in the process of being reworked and reworded and would be presented at a future board meeting for review and approval. She also brought the KTB ornaments that were purchased by the Board and can be purchased for \$15.00 by Board members.
- B. AISD-**Mary Ann Martin stated that AISD will have representatives for recycling and projects related to KAB. She made a request to the Board for a packet of all the KAB and KTB awards of what they are and when they are due so she can distribute it throughout AISD. Ms. Eaves, KAB Coordinator, said she will work on getting that together, as well as, a KAB calendar with all the annual events.
- C. KTB conference-**Alice Bull, KAB Board member, brought forth a suggestion to start a Membership drive to KAB. She had learned of a similar program with Keep Denton Beautiful when she was at the KTB conference. Ms. Bull put together a sample of a membership packet we could send out and the individuals that sign up could do so for a donation. She also said that Keep Denton Beautiful maintains a database of volunteers that they can use when they have events. The Board member she spoke to at the KTB conference indicated she would be more than willing to come to Abilene to talk to and present their program to our Board. Mr. Garcia and the Board members in attendance agreed that it sounded like a worthwhile proposal and selected a committee to look at it and report back to the rest of the Board. The committee will consist of Raymond Grothaus, Doug Hodel, Alice Bull, Sarah Kieschnick, and Mary Ann Martin.
- D. Item VI:** Adjournment – With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:36 p.m. Next meeting will be held September 7, 2011 at 12:00 noon at Al's Mesquite Grill on Buffalo Gap Road.