

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
THE SPECIAL LEISURE SERVICES FOUNDATION  
HELD VIA ZOOM ON THE 6<sup>th</sup> OF DECEMBER 2022**

Vice Chairman Gattuso called the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m.

Those present were: Amy Charlesworth, Bret Fahnstrom, Anthony Gattuso, Jay Morgan, Terri Oates, Tom Perkins, Rafal Piontkowski, Ryan Risinger, Kevin Romejko, Jonathan Salk

Absent were: Carl Arthur, Tom Campone, Al Crook, Dennis Hanson, Jim Houser and Kathy Nowicki

Also present were: Andrea Griffin and Rachel Hubsch, Superintendents of Recreation; Tom Draper, Superintendent of Communications and IT; Darleen Negrillo, Superintendent of Administrative Services; Mike (Lauterbach and Amen), Finance; Liz Thomas, Foundation Manager; Megan O'Brien, Events Coordinator, Logan Drill and Courtney Risinger Collab Coordinators, Kadison Mills, Inclusion Coordinator and Jessica Vasalos, Administrative Manager, as recording secretary.

Linda Ballantine arrived at 3:34 pm  
Dave Speers arrived at 3:36 pm

Introduction of Guests

Superintendent Griffin introduced the new Coordinators. The new coordinators introduced themselves to the Board and gave a brief overview of their experience.

Approval of Agenda for December 6, 2022

Vice Chairman Gattuso asked for a motion to approve the agenda for December 6, 2022. Trustee Oates made the motion and Trustee Ballantine seconded the motion. Upon voice vote, the motion carried.

Approval of Minutes for October 18, 2022

Vice Chairman Gattuso asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the October 18, 2022 meeting. Trustee Risinger moved the motion and Trustee Fahnstrom seconded the motion. Upon voice vote, the motion carried.

Correspondence

Written:

None

Oral:

None

Review of Financial Statements

Mike, (Lauterbach and Amen) Finance Department reviewed the financial statements with the Board. No questions were raised.

Warrants:

Vice Chairman Gattuso asked for a motion to approve Warrant 10, dated October 31, 2022 in the amount of \$63,023.71. Trustee Charlesworth made the motion and Trustee Salk seconded the motion. Upon roll being called, the vote was as follows:

AYA: Linda Ballantine, Amy Charlesworth, Bret Fahnstrom, Anthony Gattuso, Jay Morgan, Jay Morgan, Terri Oates, Tom Perkins, Rafal Piontikowski, Ryan Risinger, Kevin Romejko and Dave Speers

NAY: None

The motion carried.

Vice Chairman Gattuso asked for a motion to approve Warrant 11, dated November 30, 2022 in the amount of \$30,272.36. Trustee Ballantine made the motion and Trustee Perkins seconded the motion. Upon roll being called, the vote was as follows:

AYA: Linda Ballantine, Amy Charlesworth, Bret Fahnstrom, Anthony Gattuso, Jay Morgan, Jay Morgan, Terri Oates, Tom Perkins, Rafal Piontikowski, Ryan Risinger, Kevin Romejko and Dave Speers

NAY: None

The motion carried.

#### Old Business

##### Celebrate Ability Gala

Megan O'Brien, Event Coordinator reported that the Celebrate Ability Gala had 182 attendees and raised about \$82,000. A more formal review of the event will be reported at the January 2023 Board Meeting. Next year will be the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Gala and we looking forward to that celebration.

##### Conflict of Interest

Administrative Manager, Jessica Vasalos reminded the Board that there are a few Board Members that have not completed the Conflict of Interest Policy statement. She informed the Board that she will resend the Policy statement to those members that are still outstanding.

#### New Business

##### Approval of Legal Counsel

Superintendent Griffin asked for a motion to approve the appointment of legal counsel – Robbins, Schwartz, Nicholas, Lifton & Taylor, Ltd.. Trustee Charlesworth made the motion and Trustee Romejko seconded the motion to approve the appointment of legal counsel – Robbins, Schwartz, Nicholas, Lifton & Taylor, Ltd. Upon roll being called, the vote was as follows:

AYA: Linda Ballantine, Amy Charlesworth, Bret Fahnstrom, Anthony Gattuso, Jay Morgan, Jay Morgan, Terri Oates, Tom Perkins, Rafal Piontikowski, Ryan Risinger, Kevin Romejko and Dave Speers

NAY: None

The motion carried.

##### Audit Bid

Superintendent Negrillo reviewed the audit bid in the packet with the Board. Trustee Oates asked about the difference in cost from the previous years to this bid. Superintendent Negrillo reported that the cost has gone up \$3,000 per year more than previous years. Trustee Gattuso

asked about the process of getting these bids. Superintendent Negrillo explained the process and referred to the bid packet and answered the question. Vice Chairman Gattuso asked for a motion to approve the Audit Bid with Selden Fox. Trustee Fahnstrom made the motion and Trustee Oates seconded the motion to approve the Audit Bid with Selden Fox. Upon roll being called, the vote was as follows:

AYA: Linda Ballantine, Amy Charlesworth, Bret Fahnstrom, Anthony Gattuso, Jay Morgan, Jay Morgan, Terri Oates, Tom Perkins, Rafal Piontikowski, Ryan Risinger, Kevin Romejko and Dave Speers

NAY: None

The motion carried.

#### Appointment of President

Vice Chairman Gattuso asked for a motion to approve Tracey Crawford as President of SLSF with Resolution R2022-3. Trustee Ballantine made the motion and Trustee Perkins seconded the motion to approve Resolution R2022-3 appointing Tracey Crawford as President. Upon roll being called, the vote was as follows:

AYA: Linda Ballantine, Amy Charlesworth, Bret Fahnstrom, Anthony Gattuso, Jay Morgan, Jay Morgan, Terri Oates, Tom Perkins, Rafal Piontikowski, Ryan Risinger, Kevin Romejko and Dave Speers

NAY: None

The motion carried.

#### Approval of the Update Investment Policy

Superintendent Griffin reviewed the changes to the Investment Policy with the Board. The main changes were with the Social Constraints of the policy. Vice Chairman Gattuso asked for a motion to approve the updated Investment Policy as presented to the Board. Trustee Fahnstrom made the motion and Trustee Risinger seconded the motion to approve the Investment Policy as presented. Upon roll being called, the vote was as follows:

AYA: Linda Ballantine, Amy Charlesworth, Bret Fahnstrom, Anthony Gattuso, Jay Morgan, Jay Morgan, Terri Oates, Tom Perkins, Rafal Piontikowski, Ryan Risinger, Kevin Romejko and Dave Speers

NAY: None

The motion carried.

#### Information/Action Items

##### Proposed Budget 2023

Liz Thomas, Foundation Manager reviewed some of the items with the budget taking into account current economic times and moving the Bridges golf outing from restricted to unrestricted. Also, the T&M Golf outing has been removed from the budget due to the company no longer hosting the event. Vice Chairman Gattuso asked for a motion to approve the proposed budget for FY2023. Trustee Ballantine made the motion and Trustee Charlesworth

seconded the motion to approve the proposed budget for FY2023. Upon roll being called, the vote was as follows:

AYA: Linda Ballantine, Amy Charlesworth, Bret Fahnstrom, Anthony Gattuso, Jay Morgan, Jay Morgan, Terri Oates, Tom Perkins, Rafal Piontikowski, Ryan Risinger, Kevin Romejko and Dave Speers

NAY: None

The motion carried.

2023 Event Calendar

Megan O'Brien, Event Coordinator reviewed the event calendar with the Board.

Board Member Comments

Vice Chairman Gattuso asked the Board if there were any comments they would like to share. Trustee Ballantine asked about resuming in person Board meetings. Administrative Manager Vasalos reported that President Crawford is working on options for in person as well as zoom and will report back to the Board as soon as there is a definitive plan. Trustee Fahnstrom gave kudos to the staff on the success of Celebrate Ability. Trustee Risinger agreed as well as several other Board members gave kudos to the Board. Foundation Manager Liz Thomas reminded the Board of the Holiday Luncheon the next day at Chandlers in Schaumburg.

Adjournment

Being no further business to come before the Board, Vice Chairman Gattuso called for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:04 pm. Trustee Ballantine made the motion and Trustee Oates seconded the motion to adjourn. Upon voice vote, the motion carried.



Secretary