

**Avila Beach Community Foundation
Board Meeting – November 10, 2022 - 4:30pm
Avila Beach Community Center
MEETING MINUTES**

Board Members Present:

President: Cyndy Lakowske
Vice President: Barbara Nicholson
Secretary: Ellen Pitrowski
Michael Ginn
Bev Aho
Lucinda Borchard
Joe Caradonna
Saul Goldberg
Richard Zacky

Staff:

Executive Director: Rick Cohen
Project Specialist: Kymberly Fazzio

Board Members Absent:

Treasurer: Patrick Corrigan
Percy Jones
Paul Prather
Debra Pritchard

1. Meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm by Cyndy Lakowske

2. Introductions - None

3. Roll Call by Kymberly Fazzio

4. Consent Items:

Cyndy Lakowske commented that the balance sheet states there is \$4,000 in the “Trails Improvement” fund and it should be shown as \$6,000. Rick stated that he already instructed the bookkeeper to make the correction. Cindy also announced a project for the County for new trails in Avila Beach. Lucinda Borchard made a motion to accept the following consent items, Richard Zacky seconded, and all approved.

- a. Minutes from October 2022 Board Meeting
- b. September 2022 Financial Report
- c. October 2022 UBS Portfolio Investment Report

5. 2023 Grantee Selection Session:

After discussing the suggestion by Rick that a greater amount of funding be awarded than what was determined at the October board meeting, the board elected to stick with the original figure of \$50,000. 14 grants totaling \$50,000 for the 2023 calendar year were awarded (see list below). Richard Zacky made the motion to approve, Lucinda Borchard seconded, and all approved. Note: Due to a clerical error discovered by Rick, grant award designations were adjusted after an email polling of Trustees.

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Grantee	Amount Requested	Award Amount
1. Avila Beach Civic Association	\$ 8,000	\$ 7,000
2. Avila Beach Jr. Lifeguards	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,750
3. Bellevue-Santa Fe School	\$ 5,000	\$ 3,000
4. Cancer Well-Fit	\$ 4,000	\$ 3,850
5. Central Coast Aquarium	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,000
6. KCBX Public Radio	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,250
7. Noor Foundation	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,500
8. Operation Surf Central Coast	\$ 3,500	\$ 2,000
9. People’s Self Help	\$ 5,000	\$ 2,000
10. Point San Luis Lighthouse	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,200
11. Port San Luis Harbor District – Doggy Do Bags	\$ 6,000	\$ 4,750
12. Surfrider Foundation	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,000
13. Avila Free Trolley	\$ 3,700	\$ 3,700
14. Avila Beach Life News Delivery	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 62,700	\$50,000

6. Activities and Projects Updates:

- a. **Events/Social Committee report** – Kymberly reported that the committee met on October 26th with guest Pete Kelley from Avila Beach Preservation Project.
- We will host two historical presentations for Avila Beach residents. Pete Kelley will present historical photos and items and open a forum up for Q&A.
 - The first presentation will be on the history of Front Street and will be approximately one hour in the evening in the Spring (possibly late March or early April, 2023.)
 - The Civic Association will host a cash bar with beer, wine and beverages. Avila Beach Community Foundation will provide desserts and coffee/tea.
 - Kymberly will collaborate with Pete Kelley on the presentation.
 - Second presentation in 2023 will be sometime in the Fall. Subject TBA.

7. Foundation Reporting, Planning and Action Items:

- a. **2023 Board of Trustees** - Rick distributed ballots for election of Trustees for 2023. There are several board members up for re-election for an additional one-year term. Cyndy Lakowske will be moving out of the area in 2023, so a new President will be needed. Michael Ginn is retiring from the board, so an additional spot is available.
- Barbara Nicholson volunteered to be President
 - Saul Goldberg volunteered to be Vice President

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- All ballots were collected and tallied. Barbara Nicholson elected as President for 2023, and Saul Goldberg was elected Vice-President. Ellen Pitrowski remains as Secretary, and Patrick Corrigan as Treasurer.

- b. Final Call for 2023 Trustee Contributions** - Cyndy gave a final reminder for 2023 trustee contributions and thanked those who have made contributions.
- c. 2023 Meeting Schedule** - Rick announced that the 2023 meeting schedule is under construction.
- d. 2023 Operating Budget** – Rick announced that the 2023 operating budget is under construction.

8. Other Business

- a.** Michael Ginn announced he is stepping down from the Board and this would be his last meeting. He served for 12 years and will be greatly missed.

9. Adjourn Meeting – Meeting adjourned by Cyndy Lakowske at 5:48 pm.

Next Meeting – To Be Determined