

MINUTES
SAN MARCOS COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
GRANT FUNDING COMMITTEE
SAN MARCOS ROOM
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SAN MARCOS, CA 92069

GRANT FUNDING COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2014 – 4:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER VICE PRESIDENT WILLIAMS called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: BOARD MEMBERS: WASCO, WILLIAMS, HALL (JOINED THE MEETING AT 4:15PM)
ABSENT: BOARD MEMBERS: NONE

ALSO PRESENT Board Secretary, Donna French
Recording Secretary, Wendy Kaserman

Prior to addressing the Old Business Items on the agenda, BOARD VICE PRESIDENT WILLIAMS provided the members of the public with an opportunity introduce themselves. Vanessa Wood and Debbie Horton, with Fan of the Feather, introduced themselves. Carole Beeson representing the San Marcos Unified School District orchestral program also introduced herself.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **GRANT AWARD WORKSHEET.** FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014
Recommendation: NOTE & FILE

BOARD VICE PRESIDENT WILLIAMS reviewed the total grant awards given this fiscal year. She also reviewed the targeted grant awards per quarter and the remaining funds available this fiscal year based upon the grants awarded year to date.

NEW BUSINESS

2. **REGULAR GRANT APPLICATION PROPOSALS**

BOARD VICE PRESIDENT WILLIAMS suggested that after each Grant Funding Committee member presented information from their site visit, she would give the representatives in attendance an opportunity to speak on behalf of their application.

BOARD VICE PRESIDENT WILLIAMS said that she was responsible for following up on this application. She gave Ms. Beeson an opportunity to talk about the program. Ms. Beeson provided information about other funding sources and donations that have been received. BOARD MEMBER WASCO mentioned possible partnership opportunities with the Chamber of Commerce and the tentative Taste of Non-Profits event that the Foundation is discussing with

the Chamber. He also mentioned the Arts and Cultural Grant Program, staff provided additional details. BOARD VICE PRESIDENT WILLIAMS stated the cost per beneficiary of the program.

BOARD MEMBER HALL reported on his site visit to Solutions for Change. He had the opportunity to learn about the hydroponic program that participants can be a part of and get training in. He reported the request was for assistance with the costs of the first of a four phase program. The program would benefit 17 San Marcos residents. BOARD VICE PRESIDENT WILLIAMS stated the cost per beneficiary.

BOARD MEMBER WASCO reported on his site visit to Tender Loving Canines Assistance Dogs, Inc. He had the opportunity to meet with a San Marcos resident who has one of the dogs. The dogs are purchased from a San Marcos business and there are two trainers here. Currently there are seven San Marcos residents awaiting dogs. He said the organization could not guarantee that the funds would go to dogs that would be matched with San Marcos residents, but that the funds would be spent in San Marcos.

The Grant Funding Committee members chose to discuss the mini grant applications prior to make recommendations on the regular grants.

Vanessa Wood and Debbie Thorton with Fan of the Feather spoke about the organization and their mini grant request. They discussed how the funds would benefit the residents of Fan of the Feather.

BOARD MEMBER WASCO reported that he had tried to contact Make-A-Wish Foundation of San Diego on numerous occasions to discuss their mini-grant application but no one from the organization had returned his call of today's meeting.

The Grant Funding Committee members reviewed the funds available for the quarter the remainder of the year.

BOARD MEMBER HALL motioned that the Grant Funding Committee recommend funding in the amount of \$5,000 to the San Marcos Unified School District, \$7,000 to Solutions for Change, and \$2,000 to Tender Loving Canines Assistance Dogs, Inc. Additionally he recommended that the Board consider the Make-A-Wish Foundation of San Diego mini grant request on the February 18, 2014 Board agenda depending upon information BOARD MEMBER WASCO reports to the Board. BOARD MEMBER WASCO seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

AYES:	HALL, WASCO, WILLIAMS
NOES:	NONE
ABSTENTION:	NONE
ABSENT:	NONE

3. MINI-GRANT APPLICATION PROPOSALS

The mini grant proposals were discussed with the regular grant applications as indicated in the previous agenda item.

BOARD MEMBER WASCO motioned to approve Resolution GFC-01 awarding a mini grant in the amount of \$1,500 to Fan of the Feather, Inc. BOARD VICE PRESIDENT WILLIAMS seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

AYES:	HALL, WASCO, WILLIAMS
NOES:	NONE
ABSTENTION:	NONE
ABSENT:	NONE

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTIONED BY BOARD MEMBER WASCO AND SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER HALL TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR. MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

AYES:	HALL, WASCO, WILLIAMS
NOES:	NONE
ABSTENTION:	NONE
ABSENT:	NONE

4. WAIVER OF TEXT – Waived
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – SMCF Grant Funding Committee Meeting, January 8, 2014.
6. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - No members of the public requested to speak.

ITEMS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

7. NEXT MEETING DATE – The next meeting of the SMCF Board of Directors is scheduled for Tuesday, February 18, 2014. The next Grant Funding Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 12, 2014.
8. MISCELLANEOUS - Staff mentioned that the application period for the annual Arts and Cultural Grant Program is open until April 19, 2014 and application material is available on the Foundation's web site.
9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTIONED BY BOARD WASCO AND SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER HALL TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

Meeting adjourned at 4:41 PM.


COLLEEN LUKOFF, BOARD PRESIDENT

ATTEST:


Wendy Kaserman, Recording Secretary