

## Board Meeting Minutes for Dec 13, 2023

**Meeting called to order at 5:30pm by President Judy Biddle**

**Board Members present:** President Judy Biddle, Vice-President Paul Ortiz, Treasurer Emeritus: Don Cox, Secretary Pam Wiggins, Lucy Podolske, Lee Head by phone, Moe Parker.

**Other Members present:** King Peter and Queen Julie Slatcoff, Tina Head, Evette Parker, Patti and Paul Stinson

**Previous Minutes Acceptance:** Lucy made the motion to accept the November minutes, Paul seconded. Motion passes without opposition.

### **Treasurer's Report Acceptance:**

Balance: \$73,047.25. We had a loss of 9857.17 for November. Marketing for festival \$3560.00, Legistix Solutions \$2500.00 Breast Cancer payout \$2000.00, Scholarships \$6000.00.

Lucy made a motion to accept report, Pam seconded. Motion passes without opposition.

Don discussed record keeping policy. Pam made a motion that the Krewe keep Financial Records for a minimum of 7 years. Paul Seconded. Motion passes without opposition.

### **Previous Business**

1. **Whistle blow policy**- Judy reported the policy was reviewed by Jay Rea for legality, waiting on final review from Patti.
2. **Floor update** – Moe reported the Go Fund Me account is live. Moe will send information in Krewe Eblast. Paul said the information reads well, board agreed, moving forward.
3. **Insurance:** Lee is working with 3 other companies because we are over insured. Vet said Darlene Tate uses a 3<sup>rd</sup> party insurance... she will email board a copy.
4. **Ambassador** chair position and responsibilities – Judy working for update in bi laws – in progress, propose this be a voted on position for 5 year term max.
5. Confirming **Wheel walkers** must be 16 or over for our parades.
6. Nick Hartwell has the **Continuity float book** that includes the size of vehicles to pull floats. Pam will inform Nick that there needs to be a check list of how to set up floats for parades and how to take down for travel and where to park in the Den.
7. **Travel/Rental Float** was completed by Jerry Kelly. Don would like to reimburse him and will ask for receipts. We need to seal/paint the wood, Walt said he would look into it. FLOAT RENTS FOR \$600
8. **Marketing** with Aaron Rich
9. **Scholarships** – Six were paid out.

**Mardi Gras Festival:** Chris Phal sent in a report. (attached)

### **New Business**

#### **1. Liquor License**

All visitors should sign in as Temporary Members-  
Den Rental Contract states "Member for a Day"

#### **2. Freezer**

We are not currently using the freezer, Evette spoke to Sharon about the freezer. She said that it can go away and be replaced with an ice machine. The freezer was donated to the Krewe and the Board discussed selling it to help pay for the Ice Maker. Icemaker capacity will only be for the Event Center.

### **3. Driveway**

Landscaper smoothed out the ruts.

### **4. Roof Leaks**

We have more....Castle float has damage.  
Need door sweeps on garage doors  
Drain is working great

### **5. Door Locks**

Moe has ordered 2 more wifi locks merchandise and Krewe office)

### **6. Kids Parade**

Pam reported there is no sponsor, Krewe Kids must supply their own beads or throws

### **7. Pet Parade**

Grand Marshall is a Wounded Warrior and their service dog.

### **Email Business**

12-6-23 Jerry has reached out to ambassadors: 12th night and float blessing celebration will be held Jan 5, 2024 at the event center. We will need all hands on deck to make this celebration great. Sharon will be handling the bar for us. Food is planned but will need help serving and some help in preparation. As always we will need some parking supervisors, cake cutters and plenty of help to keep the trash emptied and out. Help will also be needed with set up and barn preparation on Jan. 4.

**The Business After Hours** will be held this month on Thursday, December 14th from 4 pm to 6 pm.

**Dec 16-23** Lee Head emailed- asking about having Golf carts with wheel walkers in our parade. I know we have not allowed them in the past. With that being said with wheel walkers I do not think them any different than floats. More revenue and more floats. What say you?

**New Member : Chris Pfahl**

### **Adjournment**

Pam made a motion to adjourn with Paul seconded. Motion passed unopposed and the board meeting was adjourned at approximately 1930hrs.

Minutes Submitted: Pam Wiggins

Minutes approved: KOSA BOD 1-4-24