

# MINUTES

## GOLDEN RAIN FOUNDATION OF WALNUT CREEK

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2014, AT 9:02 A.M.

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Golden Rain Foundation (GRF) of Walnut Creek was convened by the President, Donald J. Liddle, at 9:02 a.m. on Thursday, February 27, 2014, in Peacock Hall at Gateway Complex, 1001 Golden Rain Road, Walnut Creek, California.

ROLL CALL: Present: Donald J. Liddle, Barbara S. Jordan, Alice S. Lau, Attendance  
Kenneth W. Haley (who participated by telephone),  
Diane C. Guilfooy, Richard E. Hurley, Geraldine Pyle,  
Melvin N. Wall, and Warren T. Salmons, Chief Executive  
Officer (CEO), ex-officio member of the Board

Excused: James W. Giffin

There being no corrections, the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on January 30, 2014, were approved as written by unanimous consent.

Minutes  
Approved

The President noted that Keri Clark, Waterford's Executive Director, is retiring tomorrow, and then introduced her replacement, Channa Alperin, and reviewed her background. Mrs. Alperin said she is looking forward to working with the residents of Waterford and maintaining its wonderful amenities.

New  
Waterford  
Executive  
Director  
Introduced

The President read the Treasurer's report for the period ending January 31, 2014, in Mr. Haley's stead.

Treasurer's  
Report

The CEO reviewed his written report dated February 19, 2014. In addition, he noted that John Muir Health Foundation is going to donate \$5,000 for Rossmoor's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. He then displayed the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Logo hat that is for sale at the Golf Shop. Discussion followed.

CEO's  
Report

During the Residents' Forum, Douglas Hipsley, Director of Project 44 of Third Walnut Creek Mutual, commented on GRF's liability with respect to errant golf balls from the 5<sup>th</sup> fairway on the Dollar Ranch Golf Course that have landed on Project 44 property, and said that this issue needs to be resolved.

Residents'  
Forum

Donald B. Pettibone and then Burke Ferrari expressed their concerns about the proposed location of the protective netting on Project 44/Third Walnut Creek Mutual property adjacent to the 5<sup>th</sup> fairway of the Dollar Ranch Golf Course.

Dennis Nugent referred to the Comcast Contract, which is going to expire in 2016, and encouraged the Board to look at other options rather than simply renewing the contract.

Kit Miller expressed health concerns about the dust caused by the dog park surface, saying it is keeping people away from the dog park, which she said is a social activity for many residents.

Sally Lowry suggested some additional improvements at the dog park; namely, a handicap entrance and a drinking fountain.

Patricia Zuker suggested that the dog park resurfacing project should include a redesign of the functions and features of the gate, signage, and a faux fire hydrant.

Karen Perkins suggested grass as a surface for the dog park. She then referred to the geese problem in Rossmoor and skipping oiling their eggs this year, thereby saving that expenditure.

At this point, the President offered the members of the Board the opportunity to comment on the remarks made during the Residents' Forum. There were none.

There was no Aquatics Advisory Committee report.

David Smith, Chairman of the Finance Committee, had no comments regarding the report of the Committee's February meeting.

Finance  
Committee  
Report

There was no Fitness Center Advisory Committee report.

John McDonnell, Chairman of the Golf Advisory Committee, reporting on the Committee's February meeting, said that January was another record month. Discussion followed.

GAC  
Report

Ken Haley, Chairman of the Compensation Committee, reported on the Committee's February meeting at which the Committee continued its discussion of the bonus program, which will be further discussed at the Committee's March meeting. Discussion followed.

Compensa-  
tion Com.  
Report

Diane Guilfooy, Chairman of the Policy Committee, reporting on the Committee's February meeting, noted that the Committee will continue its discussion of Policies 302.0, Formation of Clubs and Organizations; 502.0, Use of Bulletin Boards; and 102.3, Allocation of Revenues and Expenses, at its March meeting. She then reviewed the Committee's recommended revisions to proposed new Policy 604.0, Rossmoor Election Media Access (agenda attachment 9b1-2 and 9b1-3); proposed revised Policy 601.2, Rossmoor News Editorial Policy (agenda attachment 9b2-2 through 9b2-5); and proposed revised Policy 602.0, Rossmoor Television Channel (agenda attachment 9b3-2 through 9b3-4), noting that they were minor revisions. In keeping with the Board's practice that policy, procedure, and rule items be on the agenda for two end-of-the-month meetings to allow time

Policy  
Committee  
Report/  
Consider-  
ation of  
Proposed  
New &  
Revised  
Policies  
Deferred  
to 3/27/14

for resident input, consideration of approving proposed new Policy 604.0, proposed revised Policy 601.2, and proposed revised 602.0 was deferred to the March 27, 2014 regular meeting of the Board.

Mr. Haley referred to Policy 102.3, Allocation of Revenues and Expenses, and said he believed the Board should ask the Finance Committee to also discuss the Policy and perhaps the Audit Committee should also be involved in the discussion. The President said that the Chairman of the Policy Committee intends to do so.

The President called on Debi Tallerico, Information Systems Manager, who reviewed items 1 through 6 delineated in a memorandum from her to the Board regarding the status of the Ad Hoc Information Technology Task Force's recommendations (agenda attachment 11a-8 and 11a-9). Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Ms. Jordan and seconded by Ms. Guilfooy to approve the following timeline for conducting a study regarding the feasibility of a Rossmoor-specific television and data network:

March 2014	Review and approve RFP and consultant list to conduct feasibility study
April 2014	Send out RFP to broadband consultants
June 2014	Board to authorize contract with consultant
July-October 2014	Broadband study underway
November/December 2014	Feasibility Study Summary results to Board

A motion was made by Ms. Lau and seconded by Ms. Pyle to amend the above main motion and authorize staff to start interviewing, with some members of the GRB involved, potential consultants to conduct a study regarding the feasibility of a Rossmoor-specific television and data network. Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Mr. Liddle and seconded by Mr. Haley to amend the above motion to amend the main motion and appoint Board members Diane Guilfooy, Ken Haley, and Alice Lau to work with staff to prepare a Request for Proposal and a list of potential candidates to conduct a study regarding the feasibility of a Rossmoor-specific television and data network for consideration of the Board at its March 27<sup>th</sup> regular meeting.

Ms. Jordan, the maker of the main motion, and Ms. Guilfooy, who seconded it, withdrew their motion.

Ad Hoc  
Information  
Technology  
Task Force's  
Recommen-  
dations  
Reviewed

Motion to  
Approve  
Timeline  
for  
Conducting  
Feasibility  
Study

Motion to  
Amend  
Main  
Motion re.  
Feasibility  
Study

Motion to  
Amend  
Motion to  
Amend  
Main  
Motion

Motion  
Withdrawn

Ms. Lau, the maker of the motion to amend the main motion, and Ms. Pyle, who seconded it, withdrew their motion.

Motion  
Withdrawn

Mr. Wall proposed that the motion to appoint Board members Diane Guilfooy, Ken Haley, and Alice Lau to work with staff to prepare a Request for Proposal and a list of potential candidates to conduct a study regarding the feasibility of a Rossmoor-specific television and data network for consideration of the Board at its March 27<sup>th</sup> regular meeting be amended to also appoint Board member Geri Pyle. Following discussion and there being no objections, the vote on the motion, as amended, was taken, and the amended motion CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Amended  
Motion re.  
Feasibility  
Study  
Approved

A motion was made by Ms. Guilfooy and seconded by Mr. Wall to direct staff to proceed with the dog park resurfacing project by sending out requests for bids to qualified artificial turf installers. Following discussion, the vote on the motion was taken, and the motion CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Directed  
Staff to  
Proceed w/  
Dog Park  
Resurfacing  
Project

The President announced that based on a letter from Third Walnut Creek Mutual's attorney and because of the potential for litigation, he was removing agenda item 11c, Consider authorizing an expenditure of up to \$15,000 or 50% of the project cost, whichever is less, from the Trust Estate Fund for installation of protective netting on Project 44/Mutal 3 property adjacent to the 5<sup>th</sup> fairway of the Dollar Ranch Golf Course, from the agenda for this meeting for consideration in executive session following this meeting. There were no objections.

Agenda  
Item re.  
Authorizing  
Funds for  
Protective  
Netting  
Removed

Before concluding, the President announced that that there will not be a mid-month regular meeting of the Board in March; that the next end-of-the month regular meeting of the Board will be held on Thursday, March 27, 2014, at 9:00 a.m. in Peacock Hall at Gateway Complex; and that the Board will meet in executive session following this meeting to discuss a legal matter and any other appropriate business.

Announce-  
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There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was recessed at 10:25 a.m. and reconvened in executive session at 10:45 a.m. in the Board Room.

Recess

  
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Alice S. Lau, Secretary  
Golden Rain Foundation of Walnut Creek