**DUTCH FLAT COMMUNITY CENTER**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**

**MONDAY, March 10, 2014**

Present:

Tom McDonnell, President Laura Resendez

Leland Lyter Roxanne Bertell

Marybeth Blackinton, Treasurer Joanne Blohm

Nancy Bullard, Recording Secretary Jim Sanders

Shana Brown, Corresponding Secty.

Absent:

Eleanor Bridges

Bob Pfister, Vice President

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Review, Approve Minutes**
   1. Marybeth moved to approve the minutes and Leland seconded the motion. The motion passed.
4. **Events**
   1. February Potluck – Mardi Gras Theme – February 20th
      1. Everyone agreed that the potluck was a great success; there were also some new faces. It would be a great tradition to continue next year if the date falls around the correct time. Laura reported that we even sold the sofa (in the front hall).
      2. Our local CHP representative, Chris Nave, also provided a brief update on the latest CHP news.
   2. St. Patrick’s Dinner – March 15th Saturday 5:30 – 7:00 +
      1. The board reviewed the following updates for the festivities:
         1. Joanne is orderinng the corned beef for a fraction over “cost.” In addition, she is buying 50 pounds of potatoes, 30 lbs. of carrots and 40 heads of cabbage. Jim and Lee will pick these up on Saturday morning.
         2. Lee and Jim need to provide the meat slicer, propane stove and large pots and warming pots.
         3. Joanne will contact the Alta Auxiliary to access the closet to assess the other pots, pans and serving dishes available for our use. (Joanne has a large coffee pot.)
         4. Jim’s wife will assist in the kitchen and Tom, Roxanne and Kenny will provide relief at 6:15.
         5. Advance tickets will be for sale at the Alta and DF stores. Nancy B. will sell tickets and raffle tickets at the front door starting at 4:45. Joanne will prepare a price list.
         6. After dinner clean-up – Laura R. will help.
         7. Shana will set-up the dessert table.
         8. Marybeth and Rick will set-up the sound system.
         9. Joanne will contact Neil or Bill Hart to conduct the raffle.
      2. Raffle Prizes:
         1. Some of the contributors are: Dutch Flat Trading Post (movie rentals), Rick and Marybeth (oak), Little Bear Tree Farm (7 ft. tree), Joanne (a room at her B&B), Vina Castillano (wine tasting), Marybeth (jewelry), Ugly Bug (pest), Monte Vista (dinners), Sierra Market, Bill Newson (wine)
   3. Master Calendar
      1. The board agreed that we need to add the following to the calendar: recharge DFCC building fire extinguishers annually.
   4. “Why We Ride” Video – Saturday, February 15th at 2:00 p.m.
      1. Tom indicated that it was successful and approximately $422 was donated. (Tom Flannigan has offered to pay any costs not recovered. In addition, DVD’s are still available for sale. The board agreed we should have another showing in the Spring when the weather is warmer. Tom clarified that the cost to Tom F. was actually $480 (for the DVD’s) and that he was not charged for the video rental since he did buy the DVD’s.
   5. Dick Hough Art Show – April 5th
      1. The art show is still scheduled for that Saturday and it will continue to be set up for the following week. Dick will set certain hours when he will be there. Dick will be preparing the posters.
      2. The building needs to be heated in advance.
      3. Tom and Marybeth indicated that the wineries did not appear interested in a wine tasting, however Vina Castillino did donate wine for the raffle. The board agreed that we may want to obtain a case of wine.
   6. Spring (Easter Egg) Hunt – April 19 (the day before Easter)
      1. Tom and Laura indicated that Debby M. will be here and able to coordinate this function
      2. The board voted on a budget of $200.00. Leland made the motion and it was seconded by Joanne. The motion passed.
      3. Laura emphasized the need to scrub the calling list for egg donations. Marybeth offered to print the list and Laura will review and update it.
   7. July 4th Celebration
      1. The board discussed the various fund-raising opportunities and determined that since the Hot Dog and Hamburger sales were such a major income generating opportunity – that the DFCC should actually manage this booth this year. Leland and Jim offered to run it.
         1. As a result, the request from the Alta Baptist Church to sell hot dogs/hamburgers was denied. Tom will advise them of this decision and other fund-raising opportunities available (e.g. root beer floats).
         2. Taco’s – it was suggested that the Alta Deli could sell taco’s. Jim offered to contact them.
         3. Water – The CERT team could continue to do this – we need to contact them.
         4. Kettlecorn – this was successful last year and they should be contacting us.
5. **Building**
   1. Back Stairs and Siding – The stairs have been completed and the board agreed that they look great. An article is being printed on the front page of the Community News about Steve Holmes and his work on the DFCC building. We will also be sending Steve a thank you.
      1. Jim indicated that the siding is up and is primed. We will be painting it once the weather warms up.
   2. Bell Tower/Bat Problems – Jim reported that he has done some patching, but that there are other major leakage issues from the roof (above the second floor storage area) and that the floor of the tower needs to be fixed. Steve Holmes will take a look at the tower and flooring to determine the amount of work to be done.
      1. We also need a roofer to take a look at the roof leak and Joanne offered to contact Chris Gibbs to do so.
      2. Jim also recommended installing a Sonic alarm to help keep out the bats.
   3. Windows Update – Jim reported that we are waiting to schedule their installation – once the weather dries up a bit. The putty on the windows is now dry and they are ready to be painted. Jim offered to obtain scaffolding and recommended that we install one window at a time.
   4. Insurance Coverage
      1. Workers’ Compensation – per Tom, we have received one quote for $1300 from our current insurance company. We still need to obtain another quote.
      2. Joanne offered to check w/ the Sierra Vista center in Colfax on what insurance provider they use.
      3. A concern was raised by a number of board members about the fact that the DFCC center has no “handicap accessible” bathroom and that we should check on whether or not this is a requirement. Discussion was held about the DFCC being a historic building and perhaps not required to do so. Suggestions were made that for major activities, we should always arrange additional “handicap accessible” options for the public. This issue remains open.
6. **Grounds**
   1. County Grant/Play Structure Progress
      1. The playground equipment is at the counting and waiting for installation.
   2. Tree Removal/Fence Replacement
      1. Fence Replacement:
         1. Tom reported that the county is obtaining additional bids for the fence replacement.
      2. Tree Removal:
         1. Marybeth offered to check w/ Johnny DuMont related to the cost for stump removal. After discussion, the board agreed that it was important to remove the stumps now so that a walking path around the court could be installed soon. This cost will be paid by the DFCC and not the county.
         2. Tom indicated concern over spending too much on the grounds before major issues like roof repair are completed.
      3. Tennis Court:
         1. Joanne indicated that Anne Holmes – a tennis expert – has recommended that we not use the mat on the court, but instead use a court finish that supports multiple activities like tennis, and other youth sports.
         2. Marybeth recommended that we get this out for a resurfacing bid.
         3. Jim and Leland offered to put the net back up for now so that it can still be used by the community.
7. **Finances**
   1. Treasurer’s Report (Feb., 2014)
      1. Marybeth submitted the Treasurer’s for February, 2014.
      2. Laura questioned the amount indicated for cleaning and will verify that amount.
      3. It was agreed that the membership drive is doing well. Tom recommended that we send out friendly reminder letters at the end of the first quarter.
      4. Joanne B. moved that the Treasurer’s report be approved. The motion was seconded by Jim and passed.
8. **Communications**
   1. Young Board Member Idea/Recruitment
      1. Shana indicated that she will provide them a deadline for a response.
   2. Community News
      1. Susan P. is still testing the new computer to set it up properly.
      2. Additional volunteers include: Heidi Suter and Robin Hagen.
9. Next Board Meeting: April 14, @ 6:00 p.m. at DFCC

Submitted by: Nancy Bullard, Recording Secretary