

1 - CALL TO ORDER – WELCOMING REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM by CCF Vice President Brian Montgomery. Board members Fred Clerici, Jeff Frankel, Nancy Miller, Gaunt Murdock and Marla Parada were present. Chuck Spoon was absent. Also present was Office Secretary Jeanne Owens. Interested citizens in attendance included Donna Hoffman, Heather Posner, Nancy Rieser, Dan Robertson, Jack Gillespie, Mary Wais.

2 - PUBLIC AND BOARD COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Jack Gillespie reported on the status of the Carquinez Model Railroad Society's (CMRS) building repair/rehabilitation project at 645 Loring Avenue. Jack reported that CMRS has found a contractor to do the work; Universe Painting and Construction, and they have provided a bid in the amount of \$272,000. Universe Painting and Construction will start the repairs on the North and West walls, as these are the walls facing the street. Expected start date is June 27, with a completion date in late August. CMRS has been approved for a loan in the amount of \$100,000 from Bank of the West, CCF has allocated a grant in the amount of \$48,132.62 for this project, and there is a \$25,000 matching grant comprised of donations from anonymous members. CMRS is also reaching out to a variety of corporations for funding.

Dan Robertson reported that the February issue of the Crockett Signal is out, and that it includes an article by Brian Montgomery and an ad submitted by Jeanne Owens.

3 – CONSIDER MICROGRANT APPROVAL

The Carquinez Garden Preschool (formerly Little Roses Preschool) is requesting a microgrant in the amount of \$1000 to be used for outdoor water toys. Gaunt Murdock made a motion to approve a grant in the amount of \$1000 to the Carquinez Garden School. Jeff Frankel seconded the motion, and the motion carried with 5 ayes and Fred Clerici voting no.

4 – CONSIDER FUNDRAISING ASSISTANCE PREAPPROVAL

The Italian Catholic Federation (ICF) is requesting that they be placed on the CCF fundraising calendar for their March corned beef and cabbage dinner. Fred Clerici made a motion to approve the ICF for the March fundraising calendar. Marla Parada seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

5 – APPROVAL OF FUNDRAISING ASSISTANCE DEPOSITS

Fred Clerici made a motion to approve the following fundraising assistance deposits. Gaunt Murdock seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Organization: Carquinez Model Railroad Society
Event: Open House
Amount: \$2150.00 (includes \$1000.00 CCF Contribution)

Organization: Carquinez Toy Train Operating Museum
Event: Train Show
Amount: \$3041.00 (includes \$1000.00 CCF Contribution)

Organization: Carquinez Women's Club
Event: Gourmet Dinner
Amount: \$10,857.33 (includes \$1000.00 CCF Contribution)

Organization: CREEC
Event: Plant Sale
Amount: \$2129.00 (includes \$1000.00 CCF Contribution)

6 - DISCUSS CIA GRANT - PETITION DRIVE AND PUBLIC ELECTION TO FINANCE TOWN MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

Jeanne Owens reported that she had reached out to East Bay Community Foundation regarding a grant recommendation to the Crockett Improvement Association for a public election on a property tax assessment. EBCF informed Jeanne that they will not be able to process a lobbying grant to the Crockett Improvement Association for the following reasons:

- such grants would negatively impact EBCF's lobbying cap
- often these grants are not aligned with EBCF's core strategy
- lobbying grants require special compliance, legal, and reporting steps that involve time and expense on EBCF's end; EBCF does not have capacity to provide this for our component funds

Fred Clerici reported that CIA is moving forward with their project, without funding from CCF.

Gaunt Murdock wondered if it would benefit the CCF to put a portion of money in a different fund with another foundation. Mary Wais suggested that CCF set up a meeting with EBCF. Fred agreed that it would be appropriate to have a special meeting with EBCF to discuss various topics.

7 - TREASURER'S REPORT

Fred Clerici gave the Treasurer's report for January 1 thru January 31, which included a year to date accounting on special funds, spreadsheets reflecting projected changes in fund balances, as well as the status of the Foundation's operating expenses and a detail of allocated grants. Various invoices for expenses totaled \$2852.00. Total liabilities and equity through December was \$13,278,083.40. Nancy Miller made a motion to approve the January Treasurer's report. Gaunt Murdock seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

8 - SECRETARY'S REPORT AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Nancy Miller presented minutes from the January Board meeting. Fred Clerici made a motion to approve the Secretary's report and January minutes. Jeff Frankel seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

9 - COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports.

10 - FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Research into development of new revenue streams; meeting with EBCF

11 - BOARD AND PUBLIC COMMENT

Nancy Rieser suggested that CCF develop a way to accept online memorial donations thru PayPal.

12 - ADJOURNMENT TO MARCH 3, 2022.

Brian Montgomery adjourned the meeting at 8:06 PM until **MARCH 3, 2022.**

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Owens
Office Secretary