

**Leawood Foundation
Meeting Minutes
SEPTEMBER 15, 2016**

The Leawood Foundation meeting took place at 5:30 P.M., Thursday, September 15, 2016, in the Main Conference Room at Leawood City Hall, 4800 Town Center Drive, Leawood, Kansas.

Attendees: Alice Hawk, Mike Best, Chuck Udell, Charles Lusk, Mary Ann Waldenmeyer, Renny Arensberg, James Azeltine, Scott Lambers, Chris Claxton and Deb Harper.

Board members absent: Susie Rawlings, Debby Throckmorton, Brandon Scarborough and Marc Elkins.

Chairman's Report

- Chairman Alice Hawk called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.
- Alice reported AMC has donated \$10,000 and will be a Pillar Sponsor.
- A motion was made to approve the minutes from the August 18, 2016 meeting. There was no discussion and the minutes were approved unanimously.
- Alice received a thank you note from the Shawnee Mission Education Fund.

City Update

- There were no city updates.

Financial Report

- Mike Best provided the financial report. Our current balance is \$334,103.
- Contributions YTD are \$121,775.
- Mike reported the IRS has acknowledged receipt of our paperwork. We should hear back in the next 90 days if not before. Alice thanked Mike for all his time spent on our 501(c)3 reinstatement.

Old Business

- Chris reported the Gezer signage has been ordered. There will be an event for donors in the near future.
- Mary Ann Waldenmeyer reported on the Arti Gras project. The main question is whether the Foundation wants to participate as a board. A motion was made to participate in the 2017 Arti Gras function and seconded by Chuck Udell. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

- The Leawood Chamber membership was discussed. The fee is \$255 annually. Mary Ann made a motion to approve the payment which was seconded by Charles Lusk. The motion passed unanimously.
- **“Play for All” Project**
 - The Leawood Rotary is donating \$2,500 for a bench. Thanks to Chuck and Charles for making this happen.
 - Chris Claxton said they are attempting to ascertain the final quote. Approximately \$140,000 still needs to be raised.
 - Variety KC support for the project will be brought up for a vote at their board meeting on Tuesday, September 20. If they donate \$125K, this will give them naming rights. Royals Charities will be approached next.
 - The cost will be approximately \$413K which includes the cost to tear down the current structures.
 - Banners will go up early next week at City Park for Play4All. An email will be printed on the banner for more information. Thanks to Renny for the suggestion!
 - Alice thanked Chris for all her work on the project, and Deb for the thank you letters and donor lists.
 - Alice told the board to continue to contact potential donors. If you need packets, please let Alice know.

New Business

- No new business

Announcements

- The **2016** board meeting dates are as follows (all meetings begin at 5:30 in the Main Conference Room at City Hall unless otherwise noted). **Please add these dates to your calendars!**
 - **October 20** **AND** **November 17**

Action Items:

Previous items:

- Mike will show the GKCCF's website and donor profile page to the board at the next meeting.
- Mike will open the foundation's checking account at Blue Valley Bank.

- Chris will provide a timeline including owners and responsibilities.
- All board members need to identify additional potential Play4All funding sources and submit names as soon as possible.
- The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

/s/Susie Rawlings
Susie Rawlings, Secretary