

**Leawood Foundation
Meeting Minutes
NOVEMBER 9, 2017**

The meeting of the Leawood Foundation took place at 5:30 P.M., Thursday, November 9, 2017, in the Main Conference Room at Leawood City Hall, 4800 Town Center Drive, Leawood, Kansas.

Attendees: Alice Hawk, Mike Best, Susie Rawlings, Debby Throckmorton, Charles Lusk, and Deb Harper.

Board members absent: Brandon Scarborough, Chuck Udell, Mary Ann Waldenmeyer and Marc Elkins.

Chairman's Report

- Chairman Alice Hawk called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.
- Alice updated the board on the Play4All project. The foundation has received \$50,000 from the city, and all the expenses have been paid. The City Council has officially taken ownership of the play area.
- The Leawood Dog Park donor event was well attended, and the donors enjoyed the signage. Alice thanked Chris Claxton and the Parks Department for all their hard work completing the project. Lou Rasmussen, former Council member, was in attendance.

City Update

- There was no city update.

Financial Report

- Mike Best discussed the foundation's finances. We currently have a balance of \$118,286, which does not include the \$50,000 from the city. We have paid \$350,000 in Grants Paid for the Play4All project. Our annual rate of return is approximately 12%.
- We have \$3,013 in the account at Blue Valley Bank.
- Mike said the foundation's tax return, Form 990, will be due on November 15. Larry Sauer handles this reporting. Mike suggested we invite him to the donor party.
- Mike told the group we should be proud of our success, and discuss new projects after the first of the year

Old Business

- The donor event will be held at Ironwoods Golf Course on November 15. No rent will be charged, and we will use their liquor. Wine and beer will be \$5 per glass. The food and dessert will be catered. Alice and Chris Claxton will work with the Ironhorse catering staff regarding the food selections.
- The signage for the play area will happen in the spring. It will be \$5,000 donors and above, and an event will be held.

- The donor signage for Gezer Park will be completed in the spring. We will plan a donor event at that time. Alice mentioned the Leawood Women's Club has donated money for Gezer Park. We would like to have an event for them at Gezer Park when the signage is completed.

New Business

- Debby Throckmorton will call Peter Mallouk of Creative Planning.
- Susie Rawlings will send out the minutes for the September meeting to the board for approval.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Announcements

The next board meeting will be January 18, 2018, at 5:30 in the Main Conference Room at City Hall.

December 5 – Social event at Alice and Mel's home. 5 pm – 7 pm.

 /s/Susie Rawlings
Susie Rawlings, Secretary