



Worthington Country Club Charitable Foundation Meeting Minutes January 8, 2025

Opening

- Meeting in the Somerset Room of the Clubhouse (and on Zoom) was called to order by President, Gayle Landen Greene, at 9:36 a.m. EST.

Present (Quorum Established)

- Foundation Directors: Suzie Crews (Zoom), Gayle Landen Greene, Diana Mayette, Amy Newell, Joanne Riccardi, Coral Rice, Judy Williams Morrow
- General Manager Carol Ann Carney

Absent

- Tom Lebretore, Carolyn Luomala

Guests

- Sharon Ripplinger, Bryant Walker

Meeting Notice

- Notice of the meeting was sent in advance (posted on the website and bulletin board).

Approval of Agenda

- A motion by Amy Newell and second by Diana Mayette to approve the January 8, 2025, agenda carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

- A motion by Amy Newell and second by Judy Williams Morrow to approve the December 11, 2024, minutes carried unanimously.

Chairman's Comments

- Gayle thanked Bryant Walker and explained he is a nice example of "charitable contribution." She shared that the Foundation Board is excited that Bryant applied for board membership and will become more knowledgeable of Foundation activities. We appreciate his detail, his actions, his energy and support. A motion by Amy Newell and second by Coral Rice to approve Bryant as a board member carried unanimously.
- Coral introduced Sharon Ripplinger and thanked her for her immense contribution to the Folds of Honor Golf Tournament. Sharon introduced the idea of selling golf towels and contributed numerous hours and talent to embroider them. The tournament sold \$1,840 in golf towels.



Financial (Treasurer's) Report—Judy Williams Morrow

PNC Bank:

- CKBK Balance as of December 29, 2024: \$44,186.67
- Available Foundation Funds: \$5,077.34

Bingo:

- 50/50 money deposited, including the December 2nd event, total is \$51.32 after \$900.00 donated to New Horizons.

Expenses:

- FOH: \$36,094.33
- Q of H: \$3,805.00 before drawing prizes. After prizes: \$3,055.00. Current jackpot is \$3,015.00.
- School: \$100.00 was paid to the school. Remaining amount: \$0.00.

Total Expenses: \$38,744.83

To be included in February Treasurer's Report: \$196.00 deposit on January 7, 2025, from Bingo Night on January 6, 2025.

Submitted by: Judy Williams Morrow with assistance from Joanne Riccardi

Old Business

- **Transition to Diana for Financial Responsibilities**—Diana Mayette indicated she will go back and put 2023 and 2024 financial data into QuickBooks and determine good financial protocol.
- **Liability Insurance**—Coral reported that she heard from Liz Rivero (to determine if each Bingo and Queen of Hearts drawing is considered a separate event or if ALL bingo events are considered one). Liz confirmed that the quote we got in the Fall IS accurate and includes all occurrences of each event.
- **Folds of Honor**—Coral provided a report of final earnings and plans for 2025. Coral will send press release to board members (including for posting on the WCCCF website). Coral will also work with Joanne Riccardi and Diana Mayette to reconcile final amount to be donated to FOH.
- **Queen of Hearts**—Gayle distributed a draft of the Queen of Hearts flyer. Here is the schedule for selling in January and February:
 - Gayle 1/15 from noon to 1:30
 - Judy and Joanne 1/17 4:30 to 6:30
 - Diana and Gayle 1/22 12:00 to 1:30
 - Amy and Gayle 1/24 4:30 to 6:30
 - Judy 1/29 12:00 to 1:30
 - Suzie 1/31 4:30 to 6:30



- Amy 2/5 12:00 to 1:30
- Suzie and Judy 2/7 4:30 to 6:30
- Diana 2/12 12:00 to 1:30
- Gayle 2/14 (if able). Otherwise, Amy will do it. 4:30 to 6:30
- Coral 2/19 12:00 to 1:30
- Gayle 2/21 4:30 to 6:30
- Coral 2/26 12:00 to 1:30
- Suzie and Judy 2/28 4:30 to 6:30
- **Marketing and Communication Update**—Amy shared a DRAFT letter to be disseminated to the community about the website. After discussion and recommended changes, we will send a finalized draft to Bryant for posting on the website. Amy also asked Carol Ann Carney if we can put a notice about the Foundation in the WCC new member orientation packet. Bryant also suggested we update the “About” page on the website to educate members better about the need for donations and shared some of the nuances in doing so.
- **Volunteering with Bonita Springs Elementary School**—Judy reported that she attended the January 7 volunteer session. She shared that the school provides the liability insurance for volunteers. Suzie reiterated that Estela Sandoval is the Volunteer Coordinator, Community Outreach, for volunteer opportunities (e.g., reading, tutoring, filing library books, etc.). If people are interested, they may contact Estela at Estelas@leeschools.net. Suzie will volunteer on Wednesdays beginning in January. Amy asked if we can create something about volunteer opportunities on the website.
- **Retiring Board Members**—Gayle asked that retiring board members seek applications from people who could replace them on the Board.

New Business

- **Vision for the Future**—The board discussed the vision for 2025, the desire for a reserve amount, and how to increase general donations, including allowing people to do so on the website.

Next Meeting

- Next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, February 19, 2025, at 11:00 p.m. EST in the Dorset-Stafford Room plus Zoom.

Adjournment

- A motion by Amy Newell and second by Diana Mayette to adjourn carried unanimously at 11:04 a.m. EST.

Q&A

- None

Minutes submitted by Coral Rice