

FRIENDS OF TORRANCE EXCEPTIONAL ATHLETES

Board Meeting Minutes

February 18, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM by President Morrie Rice. Members present were Morrie Rice, Adrian Bleidistel, Angi Bugg, Carol Schreiner, and Lee Altenes. Guests were Phil Duthie, Torrance Liaison, former board member Elmer Bleidistel, and Linda Barker.

Lee made a motion we approve the January board minutes. Carol seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Morrie talked about a company called Seeds of Inspiration that makes handmade sachets for pets as well as other handmade pet items. Every quarter they pick a charity to donate 10% of their sales for that quarter. They would like FTEA to be their charity for this year's July, August, and September quarter. The company is owned by two individuals who want to donate to local organizations. They would put information about FTEA on their website. In return, they would like us to list their company as one of our supporters on our website. Their e-mail is seedsofinspiration2012@yahoo.com. Lee reminded us that we should have a signed permission to put them on our website. Everyone agreed. After some discussion, Carol moved we accept their offer of the donation for the quarter, Angi seconded the motion, and the motion carried. Morrie will be our contact with them.

Next to discuss was the South Bay Sunrise Rotary event at the Comedy and Magic Club on June 6th. The Rotary

contacted Morrie again to say they would like us to be responsible for selling 30 tickets. It was suggested we start selling the tickets at the Kick-Off Dinner on March 6th. Morrie will invite the Rotary Members to the dinner. The Board felt we would be able to sell 30 tickets, perhaps more. We are the Sunrise Rotary's chosen charity for this event and will receive 100% of the Sunrise Rotary's share of the profits. They are putting on this event with the El Segundo Rotary, who have their own charity to support.

The Kick-off Dinner on March 6th will have an Italian racing theme. Carol and Kerry will handle the guest check-in. Mike Louis will receive the Dick Fick Lifetime Volunteer Recognition Award. Krystal Sylvia will be the athlete speaker and 4 athletes will be inducted into the Hall of Fame.

The Walkathon will be held at Columbia Park on May 31st. Lee will check with Annie at the Park and Recreation office to see about the fees for the park. Adrian declined to be in charge this year because of family reasons. Morrie would like a committee to be formed and start meeting to plan the Walkathon.

Lee gave the Treasurer's reports. We have \$32,413.65 cash on hand in our savings and checking accounts. \$11,392.56 of that is the Bocce Committee account. After expenses and budget obligations we have \$9,777.11 available to spend. Gus Martinez has requested \$180.00 for registration fees for a swim meet at Santa Anita YMCA. Carol moved we use money from our swim fund and budget to pay the fees. Lee seconded the motion and the motion carried. Karen Geyer has requested laundry baskets to carry the

Bocce equipment. The board agreed she needs something to replace the broken laundry baskets she is now using. There was some discussion on what type of equipment carrier would be best. It was decided to have Karen check out various possible carriers, decide which ones she prefers, and let the board know the cost.

Morrie reported that PayPal seems fairly easy to use, and would be a good addition to our website. When we apply for it, PayPal will need some information from us but nothing that would be a problem. The board feels we should go ahead and have PayPal to handle donations on our website for those who wish to use it.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 18th, at 6:30 PM.

Carol made a motion the meeting be adjourned, Angi seconded the motion, and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Adrian Bleidistel, Secretary