

FRIENDS OF TORRANCE EXCEPTIONAL ATHLETES

Board Meeting Minutes

September 15, 2015

Members Present

Morrie Rice
Adrian Bleidistel Angi Bugg
Carol Schreiner Laurie Nelson
Jim Tuligowski

Members Absent

Kerry Ryerson
Cheryl Rice

Guests

Phil Duthie
Rosy Riera
David Hensler
Karen Greenberg
Linda Barker

Call To Order:

FTEA Board President Morrie Rice called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

Special Guests

We welcomed our special guests from the South Bay Sunrise Rotary Rosy Riera , David Hensler and Karen Greenberg. The South Bay Sunrise Rotary presented Morrie Rice, FTEA President with a check in the amount of \$5000.00. This group's continued support is appreciated by the Board and all of the athletes. We were also informed that the Beer and Wine Festival will be on May 15 at Ernie Howlett Park.

Reading of Board Meeting Minutes:

Minutes from June, 2015 were reviewed, changes made and approved.
(Schreiner/Tuligowski -unanimous)

Presidents Report:

- **Rat Beach Bike Tour 9/26** Kerry is the contact and continues to ask for Volunteers sign ups. Several have already volunteered.
- **Walk A Thon**

Prizes are as follows:

\$25-\$99 = \$5 Yogurtland Gift Card (7)

\$100-\$249 = Dolphin FTEA Logo Hat (32)

\$250-\$499 = \$25 FYE Gift Card (7)

\$500-\$1,640 = Gift Card or LA Galaxy Soccer Center (4) (\$100 value)

We will solicit information from the families and caregivers to allow the appropriate prize for the top four athletes. The LA Galaxy Soccer Center Gift was donated and is for a group event at the Center.

An additional donation of \$130.00 was sent in by John Kalinski. Morrie recognized the South Bay Junior Women's Club for sponsoring 9 athletes with a donation of \$900.00 and also donating an additional \$2,100.00.

Torrance Special Needs Sports Family Picnic Marcy is in charge of the food. Pot luck is planned with the hot dogs, and chile provided by FTEA. The flyers have been sent out. The usual games are planned for with the exception of softball. The softball field has been taken by another event. Arrangements were made to meet Friday September 25, at 11:00 am at the container to pull all needed items. Help is requested for set up Saturday at 8:00 am and for the tear down at the end of the event.

Treasurer's Report:

There is a balance of \$41,287.18 plus \$25.00 in Chase Bank Account as of August 31, 2015. Fiscal year end balance was \$39,870.94.

Budget Requests:

Mike Louis for a car rental for the S4EA soccer Tournament in San Diego in the amount of \$464.00.

Website Updates

Laurie has created a new Facebook page named "FTEA". She has noted the change on the old FB page. She has added new photos and will continue to update.

New Business:

Car Rentals

There is need to develop a Car Rental Guideline. There was discussion around Car Rentals and understanding the price structure. Our local car rentals are not open on the weekend so this extends our rentals for an extra day, increasing costs. Holidays also may impact pricing. Car rental can be an inconvenience to the driver as they have to use their credit card with a large \$ amount on hold. In addition that driver needs a ride to and from rental site. Morrie will inquire of a Rotary member that may be able to provide some information.

Jim suggested using Kayak as a rental option and also suggested that Costco and AAA have rental discounts. There was further discussion around reimbursing drivers for gas if they transported three or more athletes.

Fundraising Ideas

Jim also had some fundraising ideas. We could purchase Dodger or Clipper tickets in 30 count blocks at discounted rates and resell. Also suggested we could get signed memorabilia and use at silent auctions.

Morrie suggested to contact Gus Martinez as he may have some valuable input.

Next Meeting Date:

October 13, 2015

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 8:26 pm. (Schreiner/Tuligowski unanimous)