



GIVING OPPORTUNITIES TO KIDS (GOT Kids) FOUNDATION

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MINUTES

Date: September 12, 2022

Time: 4:30 p.m.

Location: Diede Construction, 12393 W. Hwy 99 Frontage Road, Lodi

1. Called to Order – 4:31 p.m. Pierce DeLuna
2. Roll Call Pierce DeLuna

Pierce DeLuna (President), Ken Metoyer (VP), Steve Diede (Treasurer), Ron Freitas (Secretary), Chris Olsen, Joe Nava, Cathy Nichols-Washer, Melissa Phillips-Stroud, and Shannon Stephens – A quorum was present

 - Members Absent: Jason Altnow, Gabe DeAnda (2nd VP), Taylor Diede (Past President), Ron Heberle, and Justin King
 - Executive Director: Megan Eddy
3. Review and Approval of Minutes: August 8, 2022 Pierce DeLuna
 - The minutes were approved unanimously
4. Financial Report Steve Diede
5. Standing Programs
 - Keep Kids Connected Megan Eddy
 - Remaining water bottles have been distributed, some given to College/Career Night, the remainder given to Creekside Elementary
 - Look into cost of ordering more water bottles for promotional use during programs and camps and outreach events
 - Imagination Library Melissa Phillips-Stroud
 - Currently 937 children registered in the program, with 89 graduated from the program
 - Updated business cards with QR codes for online sign ups are being distributed to local preschool programs
 - Discussion of updating flyer to be distribute via PeachJar to all parents of pre-school kids
 - Cal Waste Facility Tours Megan Eddy
 - Emails have been sent to LUSD staff to obtain a list of grade level field trips with no response.
 - Requested assistance from the Superintendent to obtain that information in order to target a grade level for these field trips, without interfering with established field trips.
 - Summer Science Day Camp (June 6-8, 2023) Megan Eddy
 - Deposits paid to reserve Lodi Lake facilities and permits have been secured for 2023

6. Standing Committees

- Adult Prom – October 29, 2022 Megan Eddy
 - Executed contract with Jennifer Jon Events to plan and execute the Adult Prom Fundraiser, to be held October 29, 2022.
 - The Woman’s Club of Lodi has been reserved to host the event.
 - DJ Invisible has been secured to be our music/entertainment for the event.
 - 5 Window Beer Co, Michael David Winery and Tia Linda’s Margarita have generously agreed to donate beverages to serve at the bar.
 - Megan is working with JJ to secure vendors for food and photography.
 - Board members are asked to sign up for at least 2-3 shifts (including family/friends) to help facilitate the event.
 - Board members were asked to help solicit sponsors for the event.
 - There was discussion regarding the sponsor levels, and how to diversify our target businesses so as not to exhaust small businesses that have given financial support already.

- Crab Feed – February 25, 2023 Megan Eddy
 - Dates have been secured with the Lodi Grape Festival Grounds to hold the event at Chardonnay Hall, with hopes to host 450 attendees.
 - Ken Metoyer volunteered to Chair the event
 - Suggestion was made to reserve the date on the LUSD Nutrition Services calendar

7. Unfinished Business

Pierce DeLuna

8. New Business

Pierce DeLuna

- The GOT Kids checking and savings accounts with Farmers and Merchants Bank need updated signatories, as some Board members have resigned and/or moved on from leadership positions. A motion was made by Melissa Phillips-Stroud, and seconded by Chris Olsen, to remove Lynn Aebi, Mary Macias, Chet Somera and to add Steve Diede (Treasurer), Pierce DeLuna (President), and Ken Metoyer (Vice President) as signatories on the accounts. The motion was approved unanimously.

- Kathy Grant with the City of Lodi requested financial support of the Storm Drain Detectives (SDD) Program. LUSD students in grades 6-12 participate in various activities such testing, recording and reporting on water quality in the Mokelumne River, writing educational articles for the Mokelumne Current and visiting the Marine Science Institute in the San Francisco Bay. A motion was made by Joe Nava and seconded by Cathy Nichols-Washer to fund the SDD program with \$5,000 in 2022. The motion was approved unanimously.

- The WOW Science Museum is hosting a National Farmers Day event on October 15, 2022 and is looking for vendors to host a table at the event. Pierce DeLuna volunteered to take the lead on this opportunity and potentially coordinate with the FFA/AG departments at the local high schools.

9. Executive Director’s Report

Megan Eddy

- The Raymus Foundation awarded two grant requests for a total of \$22,500. One grant award for \$7,500 will underwrite the Dolly Parton Imagination Library program. The other grant for \$15,000 will fund a weeklong day-camp for middle school students. This camp, developed by Ken Metoyer will focus on life-skills, and personal development activities.

- Pierce DeLuna has volunteered to take the lead on the “Friends of GOT Kids” volunteer program. He will research best practices for vetting and on-boarding volunteers that will serve in various GOT Kids programs and events. He will create a protocol for on-boarding volunteers and

a database for ease of communication with those in the program.

10. Announcements

Pierce DeLuna

- None

11. For the Good of the Order

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12. Adjournment

Pierce DeLuna

Joe Nava moved; Chris Olsen seconded for adjournment; motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Next Board Meeting: October 3, 2022