

Kiwanis Club of Skidaway

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors Merrill Lynch Board Room—June 12, 2017

Present	Officers	Office	Present	Directors
✓	Ben Gustafson	President	✓	Charlie Arraiz
	Tom Stephens	President-Elect	✓	Tim Baldwin
	Jan Wright	VP/Secretary		Dave Fox
✓	Bruce Schneidewind	VP/Treasurer		Thom Greenlaw
✓	Joyce Glenn	Past President	✓	Kevin O'Neil
	Dan Umbel	Advisor		Peter Pickerill
	Guests			Cecilia Russo
				Jen Singeisen
			✓	Jim Smart

1. Welcome & Call to Order

Mr. Gustafson welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 8:05 AM.

2. Secretary's Report

Mr. Gustafson **confirmed** there was a quorum. The minutes of the May 10 meeting were **approved** with one revision to the President's award paragraph.

3. New Member

Ellen Grimm's application was reviewed by the board and a motion to approve was made and seconded and then approved by the board.

4. Treasurer's Report

Mr. Schneidewind led a review of the financial statements that had been circulated in advance and noted that our actual vs. budget is slightly behind, however, it is expected that a few more sponsor checks will be forthcoming which should close the gap.

5. President's Report

- **Board Resignation-** Peter Pickerill announced his resignation from the board effective June 12, 2017. Peter's resignation was accepted by the board. The nominating committee will present a name to the board and if approved it will then be presented to membership for their approval within 60 days of the resignation.
- **President's Awards** – Mr. Gustafson announced that President's awards will be given on June 29. The Hixson awards will be presented at a later date.
- **\$2,000 Kiwanis Children's Fund Donation** - A large thank you was given by Kiwanis International for our donation.
- **District Raffle for Kiwanis International** – It was determined by the board we would not participate in this event, however, individual members are encouraged to participate if they desire.

- **Georgia District Convention (August 25-27)** – Mr. Gustafson reported that he and Mr. Stephens would be attending the convention, with Ms. Glenn as our third delegate.
- **Division Conference Report** – Mr. Gustafson stated to become a distinguished club all you needed was net gain in membership for the year. We will probably have no problem meeting this goal, however, the board was in agreement that this is not a focus for our club.

An amendment is being proposed that all background checks be done by International for consistency. The board could not determine the rationale behind this except maybe for insurance purposes. It was decided to ask one of our members who is familiar with insurance to see if they could determine the reasoning behind this amendment.

Another amendment being proposed is that each club would have a vote whether or not they attend the international convention. The board stated they were in favor of this, as it should not matter whether or not you are able to send a representative to the convention. This is especially true in light of the ability to do this type of activity electronically.

- **Concert on the Harbor** – Mr. Gustafson proposed that a new date for Concert on the Harbor not be pursued and proposed raffling the items off at one of our next Thursday meetings. This item was seconded and then approved by the board.
- **Future Social Fundraising Opportunities** – Mr. Gustafson proposed having our club participate with the Kiwanis Club of St. Marys at their Rock Shrimp Festival on October 7, 2017 in St. Marys Georgia. Jim Smart will assist organizing our club's participation.

A proposal was made by Mr. Gustafson to set up an Alternate Fundraising Committee. This committee would be responsible for pursuing opportunities to increase our fundraising to assist the at-risk children. This proposal was seconded and approved by the board. Joyce Glenn will be the chair with Jim Smart, Kevin O'Neil, Charlie Arraiz, and Bruce Schneidewind, Tim Baldwin, and Ben Gustafson assisting in this effort.

- **Breakfast Meeting Time** – A proposal to potentially move weekly meetings to Tuesday to allow additional participation by club golf members (particularly men members) was discussed. Since there is a large participation by men on Thursdays and Tuesdays are not shotgun starts, it was felt we might attract additional members with this move. Mr. Gustafson and others will review the viability of this move.

5. Adjournment and Next Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 AM. The next meeting will be **July 10**, at the Merrill Lynch board room, starting at 8:05 AM.

Jim Smart
Acting Secretary