

FORTUNA TIERRA CLUB MEETING MINUTES

DATE: March 13, 2017

MEETING PLACE: Kathy McLallen's home

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER @ 3:15 pm by PRESIDENT Mary Ann Guilinger

OPENING COMMENTS: Thank you to Kathy McLallen and co-hostesses for providing meeting refreshments.

GOOD NEWS: Irene announced the arrival of her 8<sup>th</sup> great grandchild Bryson Gregory.

ROLE CALL: PRESENT:

Eve Becker-Doyle

Dixie Bergman

Ann Blakely

Sandy Dick

Wendy Fenner

Nori Francis

Mary Ann Guilinger

Carol Jancar

Laureen Kraft

Sharon Kreutzen

GUESTS: Susan Browning

Vonnie Kuijvenhoven

Cher Mitton

Kathy McLallen

Mary Menz

Yolanda Miralee

Alicia "Lish" Sheppard

Irene Stith

Sue Wiens

Claudia Wolff

MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING: ANY CORRECTIONS: None Noted

MOTION TO APPROVE: Eve. SECOND: Sharon. VOTE: Unanimously approved

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Wendy Fenner noted that the password has been updated on the FortunTierra.com website to: MaryAnn.

TREASURER'S REPORT; Laureen Kraft presented the Treasurer's report and 2017 annual budget. FTC net assets at the beginning of 2016 = \$41,520.44, FTC net assets at the end of 2016 = \$37,829.3. Total 2016 income = \$13,074.88, and total expenses = \$16,800. This places Fortuna Tierra at a 75% giving rate which is the most highly efficient status.

Laureen presented budget plans A, B and C for 2017 at the January 23, 2017 Board Meeting. The Board agreed to a modified version of Plan C that projects \$12,500 to be raised through the 2017 Log Hill Hustle as follows:

**2017 Fortuna Tierra Budget – proposed 1-23-2017**

- Net Assets Beg of year = \$ 37,829.32
- Net Assets End of year = \$ 34,252.56 (delta = **-\$3,576.76**)

**Assumptions:**

**Income:** ~\$**13,237**

- 28 members = \$560.00
- 1 year \$20,000 CD at .35% interest (~\$77.00 for the year)
- \$12,500 from fundraisers

**Philanthropic Expenses:** total = **\$11,900**

- Scholarships \$10,000
- Colona Church \$100
- School supplies \$100
- Discretionary \$1,700

**Admin Expenses:** total = **\$2,094**

- PO Box \$70
- Insurance \$842
- Co. non-profit Assoc = \$55
- Legal Filings = \$15
- Website domain name / website = \$140
- Xmas party = \$560
- Ridgway Chamber of Commerce = \$125
- General Supplies = \$288

**Fundraising Expenses:** Total = **\$2,820**

Total **EXPENSES** = **\$16,814**

**This plan:**

71% Charitable giving rate

\$17.00 Fundraising efficiency (takes us \$17 to raise \$100)  
(\$25 or less is reasonable).

Fundraising expense = 17% (not to exceed 35%)

Admin expense = 12% (not to exceed 20% )

**Note a motion to approve adjusting the annual membership dues for Fortuna Tierra to \$25 as part of the 2017 budget was also made.**

MOTION TO APPROVE: Wendy. SECOND:Dixie. VOTE: Unanimously approved

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**PHILANTHROPIC:** Vonnie reported on Scholarships and noted that the upcoming Ridgway high school classes vary widely in size and that FTC may want to consider adjusting the amount of scholarship funding in upcoming years to correlate with the size of each class. It would be prudent to set aside funding for future larger graduating classes. Vonnie will obtain more information on each class size and present at the June 12, 2017 meeting. In the meantime \$10,000 from the 2016 fundraising efforts will be given in scholarships. A motion was made to authorize the philanthropic committee to select the scholarship recipients for the class of 2017. MOTION TO APPROVE: Eve. SECOND: Cher. VOTE: Unanimously approved.

Hugh O’Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) High School Summer Conference in Denver. Valene Baskfield, counselor for Ridgway Secondary School as requested assistance with funding the cost of sending students to the HOBY conference. The core values of the program focus on volunteerism, integrity, excellence, diversity and community partnership. It was decided to bring this before the membership to discuss the use of the discretionary funds to for this request and determine which academic year(s) we could fund. A MOTION TO APPROVE \$395 to help fund 1 participant to attend the conference was made by Cher. SECOND: Wendy. VOTE: Unanimously approved.

**COMPASSION:** Lil Fredericksen has agreed to continue serving as the Compassion Chair. She requests that anyone who knows of anyone in need, or anyone struggling with health issues to please email her at [Lfsearose@hotmail.com](mailto:Lfsearose@hotmail.com). Cher represented the compassion committee in Lil’s absence. Carol King, former FTC member is battling stage 1 ovarian cancer and is undergoing chemotherapy. An art quilt is being made for her, please notify Cher if you would like to participate. Also Stephanie West, who now lives in Windsor, is undergoing her 7<sup>th</sup> chemo for breast cancer.

**CLUB OPERATIONS:** Cher and Laureen to review bylaws and policies and procedures which have not changed since 2004 and make any recommendations on updating them. For example, bylaws state if the FTC is ever dissolved funds go to Log Hill Fire Department and to scholarship recipients. We may want to write an addendum to allow whoever is on the current the board to designate disbursement. The policy and procedures should also be revised to reflect quarterly meetings. Proposed revisions were presented at the meeting and reviewed with several recommended changes. An email thread regarding the bylaws and policies is attached to these minutes. Revisions will be incorporated and final version to be approved at the June 12, 2017 meeting.

**FUNDRAISING:** Mary Ann and Laureen presented a recap on the 2016 Log Hill Hustle in Roze’s absence:

Sponsor requests were sent to both individuals and businesses. The different Logo Sponsors levels were \$300, \$500, \$1000. All of 2016 Log Hill Hustle’s net proceeds were earmarked for scholarships and other educational needs. Financial Overview of the 2016 Log Hill Hustle:

Sponsors:	\$9,995.90
Active Online Entrants:	\$904.75
Race Day Entrants:	\$735.00
Gross Income:	\$11,717.80
Expenses:	\$1,810.13
<b>Net Income:</b>	<b>\$9,907.67</b>

With the great feedback we've received about the event we can realistically expect to double last year's registration to 150 runners. This year the Log Hill Hustle will be held on Sept 16, 2017. The 3rd Saturday in September has very few conflicts, and no conflicts with other running events.

The committee is planning on using the same routes with a few minor changes.

Michael Pew with the Log Hill Fire Department has some new ideas for FD participation. There is still some discussion about whether to charge an additional fee for the pancake breakfast.

Wendy will coordinate with Ridgway High School graphic design class to create a poster for this year's race.

We will be using the [www.runningguru.com](http://www.runningguru.com) website to process race registrations.

Fundraising Committee members: Sandy, Mary Ann, Lauren, Wendy, Irene and anyone else who wants to be on the committee.

Amazon Smiles is bringing a few funds.

The Fundraising committee is requesting additional ideas for fundraising. It would be great to do at least two more events this year.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Mary Ann is starting to post written bios of our members so that the community can see the "faces" of Fortuna Tierra. The goal is to promote community inclusion and encourage younger women throughout Ridgway to participate. Fortuna Tierra is a great community service organization that connects women for multiple generations and backgrounds.

So far there are bios posted for Mary Ann Guilinger and Lauren Kraft. Irene and Vonnie have agreed to interview each other for their bios.

2017 Remaining Quarterly meetings:

- June 12th, Vonnie will host.
- September 11th, Cher to host
- Christmas – December 11th at True Grit.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

Mary Ann noted all the members with recent birthdays and anniversaries.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Lauren Kraft 1/20; Roze Evans 2/3; Sharon Kreutzen 2/4; Wendy Fenner 2/6; Bernadette Taylor 2/24; Lois Carr 2/26; Jan Kubek 3/25

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** MOTIONED: Irene., SECOND: Kathy M. @ 4:12 pm

See Enclosures

- 1 Provide a detailed narrative description of all the activities of the organization — past, present, and planned. Do not merely refer to or repeat the language in the organizational document. List each activity separately in the order of importance based on the relative time and other resources devoted to the activity. Indicate the percentage of time for each activity. Each description should include, as a minimum, the following: (a) a detailed description of the activity including its purpose and how each activity furthers your exempt purpose; (b) when the activity was or will be initiated; and (c) where and by whom the activity will be conducted.

The mission of the organization is to raise funds to be used for charitable purposes. The activities of the organization are:

Organizing and managing an annual craft show in October (50%)

- a) The organization receives a space fee plus a percentage of sales proceeds from vendors for the purpose of raising funds. Those funds are used for the charitable contributions and scholarships offered by the organization.
- b) An October craft show was held in 2001. There was not one held in 2002. One is currently scheduled for October 2003 and substantial volunteer time has been spent on planning that event. The organization is committed to making this an annual event.
- c) The craft show is held in Ridgway, Colorado and members volunteer time to organize and manage the event.

Making donations to charitable organizations (15%)

- a) Each year a budget for charitable donations is established. Any member may present a charitable organization under IRC Sec 501(c)(3) or a state or local government for consideration, including any special needs the organization under consideration may have. The general membership votes on whether to offer support to each of the organizations presented. Those approved by a majority of the membership receive donations. The members are encouraged to seek out charitable organizations and inquire as to their financial needs.
- b) The organization has made donations to the Ridgway School District, the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Colona Church, and Log Hill Volunteer Fire Department.
- c) The activity is conducted by the general membership at general membership meetings.

Awarding scholarships (15%)

- a) Each year a budget for scholarships is established. A committee of three members is appointed annually to review scholarship applications and make recommendations to the general membership. Please see the attached "GENERAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION" for more information regarding the process.

Continued @ attachments.

- 2 What are or will be the organization's sources of financial support? List in order of size.

Annual craft show  
Solicited donations  
Membership dues

- 3 Describe the organization's fundraising program, both actual and planned, and explain to what extent it has been put into effect include details of fundraising activities such as selective mailings, formation of fundraising committees, use of volunteers or professional fundraisers, etc. Attach representative copies of solicitations for financial support.

Fundraising activities currently consist of presence of membership at community events and verbal requests for donations as well as organization and management of annual craft show. Planned fundraising activities include formation of a voluntary publicity committee. No written solicitations for financial support are used.



Wendy Fenner <wendyzfenner@gmail.com>

## Bylaws and amendments to our articles of incorporation

15 messages

**Laureen Kraft** <laureen.kraft@q.com>

Thu, Jan 26, 2017 at 2:39 PM

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Thanks,  
Lauren

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**cheryl mitton** <ckmitton@mac.com> Thu, Jan 26, 2017 at 9:00 PM  
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Thank you, Laureen...It's so much clearer now with all your investigation. I support your recommendation.

Cher

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Attached is my attempt to change the Bylaws starting with the document that Laureen provided. Please review and provide to me suggested changes. I've taken out quite a bit about Qualifications for Membership. I've added the duties for the committee chairs and made the composition of Board the Officers and the Committee Chairs which seems as if it is the way the Board is working. I added quite a bit for dissolution. With my additions, we would not need Irene's letter for designees, and I tried to incorporate what she stated in her letter for designees. I've added Amendment to Bylaws, Purpose, and a History at the end.

I'm not sure of the dates for the History. In Irene's notebook for the President, besides the Bylaws that Laureen provided, there is a document titled Original Bylaws of the Fortuna Tierra Club which I've attached but it appears the document may have been written in or after 1993. We may not want to include a History unless we can get good dates for the original bylaws (I'd think that they would be in 1970 when FTC was founded).

We'll have to have the members vote on the amended bylaws at the March 13, 2017, meeting.

Thanks.

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**Original Bylaws of the Fortuna Tierra Club.pdf**

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**Laureen Kraft** <laureen.kraft@q.com>

Fri, Jan 27, 2017 at 6:07 PM

To: Mary Ann Guilinger <maryann.guilinger@gmail.com>  
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Great work Mary Ann, Just one comment regarding club dissolution portion 'as filed with the IRS' can we add 'and filed with the Colorado Secretary of State'.  
as we file with both IRS and Sec of State (colorado), but per my conversation with both, the state cared more that our info. is current whereas the IRS just said send what we have and they will basically file it (not online visible).

The files online (state) only go back to yr 2000 when we asked to become a non-profit so putting dates on the bylaws may be difficult if we are not sure.

Just a suggestion,  
Thanks,  
Laureen

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**From:** "Mary Ann Guilinger" <maryann.guilinger@gmail.com>  
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**Sent:** Friday, January 27, 2017 1:27:41 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Bylaws and amendments to our articles of incorporation  
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**Vonnice M Kuijvenhoven** <vonniek10k@yahoo.com> Fri, Jan 27, 2017 at 8:28 PM  
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Looks good to me.  
Thanks for all your efforts on this!

On Jan 27, 2017, at 1:27 PM, Mary Ann Guilinger <maryann.guilinger@gmail.com> wrote:

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**Rozanne Evans / Al Lowande** <evanslowande@gmail.com> Sat, Jan 28, 2017 at 4:46 PM  
To: Mary Ann Guilinger <maryann.guilinger@gmail.com>  
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Looks great Mary Ann.

I see what appears to me to be a typo in "Qualifications for Membership" *In order to be an active member the club requires current with dues or be a Lifetime member.* Something is missing in this sentence.

Great work!

Roze

On Jan 27, 2017, at 1:27 PM, Mary Ann Guilinger <[maryann.guilinger@gmail.com](mailto:maryann.guilinger@gmail.com)> wrote:

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**Mary Ann Guilinger** <[maryann.guilinger@gmail.com](mailto:maryann.guilinger@gmail.com)> Sun, Jan 29, 2017 at 4:58 PM  
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I've added "to be" in front of "current with dues or be a Lifetime member". Thanks.

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**Larry and Lillian Fredericksen** <[lfsearose@hotmail.com](mailto:lfsearose@hotmail.com)> Tue, Jan 31, 2017 at 7:09 AM  
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Great job on checking everything out.

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**From:** Laureen Kraft <[laureen.kraft@q.com](mailto:laureen.kraft@q.com)>

**Sent:** Thursday, January 26, 2017 3:39 PM

**To:** Irene Stith; Cher Mitton; Wendy Fenner; Roze Evans; Vonnie Kuijvenhoven; Lil And Larry Fredericksen; Mary Ann Guilinger

**Subject:** Bylaws and amendments to our articles of incorporation



# By-Laws of the Fortuna Tierra Club

## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Fortuna Tierra Club is a women's club organized to promote neighbors coming together to give aid and support when needed and raise funds for local philanthropic endeavors.

## MEETINGS

Meetings are to be held monthly, dates and times approved by membership.

## QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Eligibility for membership shall include all existing and past members: former, current, and future residents of Log Hill and the immediate vicinity or an immediate member of an active member's family.

In order to be an **active member** the club requires attendance at three meetings each year and participation in club functions, i.e. officer, committee member, or contributor (time, food, or monetary donation).

To be eligible for membership privileges, including newsletters, updated member handbooks, or compassionate services, the member must be active and current with dues or be a Lifetime member.

**Lifetime membership** status shall be given to any member who has been an active, dues-paying member for twenty or more years. If a member requests a leave of absence, this time will not be counted in their twenty year membership. Lifetime members are not required to pay annual dues.

## DUES

The amount designated for dues is determined by an annual vote of the members.

## OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

**PRESIDENT:** It is the duty of the President to offer leadership and guidance, including conducting the monthly meetings and assisting with club activities.

**VICE PRESIDENT:** It is the duty of the Vice President to assist the President in every possible way and preside at meetings and other functions in her absence.

**SECRETARY:** It is the duty of the Secretary to record and submit the minutes of the club meetings to the Editor for publication and to take care of Club business correspondence.

**TREASURER:** It is the duty of the Treasurer to collect all monies for the Club, pay all approved expenses, and keep records of all financial transactions and financial correspondence.

## CLUB DISSOLUTION

If at any time the Club is disbanded, all monies left in the Club account will be disbursed to the **Log Hill Volunteer Fire Department** as filed with the Internal Revenue Service. If funds have been collected as part of a scholarship and so marked in record, those funds will be disbursed as one last scholarship to a Ridgway High School senior as voted upon by the last existing officers. The **Richard Shotwell Endowment Fund** will continue to provide a scholarship(s) each year until monies are no longer available. This will be overseen by Irene Stith or her designee.

## GUIDELINES

All meetings of this Club are guided by Roberts Rules or Order and procedures/policies established by the membership.