

**FORTUNA TIERRA CLUB
MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: September 11, 2017, 10:00 am

MEETING PLACE: Laureen Kraft's home.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER @ 10:17 am by President Mary Ann Guilinger.

OPENING COMMENTS: Thank you to Laureen and co-hostesses for hosting.

GOOD NEWS: Mary Ann's son got married and Irene welcoming her 8th great-grandchild in December (it's a boy!)

ROLE CALL: PRESENT: 14 GUESTS: 0

Eve Becker-Doyle

Ann Blakely

Sandy Dick

Roze Evans

Wendy Fenner

Nori Frances

Mary Ann Guilinger

Kathy Heinrichs

Carol Jancar

Laureen Kraft

Vonnie Kuijvenhoven

Mary Menz

Kathy McLallen

Irene Stith

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Wendy Fenner

MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING: motion to approve the June 2017 minutes. **ANY CORRECTIONS:** Kathy McLallen was not in attendance at the June 2017 meeting – so noted. **MOTION TO APPROVE:** Irene. **SECOND:** Mary M. **VOTE:** Unanimous Approval.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Laureen Kraft provided an update on the budget and finances.

Fortuna Tierra Club Treasurer's report: **August 2017**

Laureen Kraft reported the **Aug 2017** income at **\$3,876.20** details: (**\$6.20** interest, **\$3,870.00** fun run donation).

Expenses totaled **\$9,458.94** this month. (**\$200.00** school supplies, **\$8,000** scholarship, **\$1,208.94** fun run expenses, **\$50.00** petty cash farmer's market)

The month ending assets are: Checking **\$6,946.07**, Money

Market **\$5,651.30**, **\$20,038.88** Shotwell CD, **\$968.22** Donations Checking account. Making total cash and liquid assets of **\$33,604.47**

Fortuna Tierra Club Treasurer's Report for **Aug 2017** is filed on 09-06-2017.

Additional Income secured but not in FTC Alpine Accounts: Paypal = **\$64.80**

Upcoming **expenses:**

Sept 2017=

\$700.00 – Fun Run expenses

Upcoming **revenue** in forecast:

Aug 2017 = CD/Money Market interest ~ \$6.00, Sponsors for fun run ~\$4,000

Notes- CD renewal date was 2-19-2017. Club decided to do a 1 year \$20,000 CD at .35% interest rate and residual \$10,000 from CD moved into our money market. CD rates extremely low with projections supposed to go up so obtaining a 1 Year CD was best option at this point and will review rates again on 3-19-2018. CD interest will be put back into CD each month vs. putting into checking account. We can then earn interest on our interest.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PHILANTHROPIC: Vonnie Kuijvenhoven provided an update on scholarship recipients. In addition to the \$8,000 in scholarships, \$200 was provided as a match to Kathy Heinrich's effort to provide back to school supplies for students at both Ridgway Elementary and Secondary Schools. \$1,700 will also be provided in grants for the elementary teachers to furnish the needs in their classrooms.

COMPASSION: Lil Fredericksen was not present for her update.

- Eve completed 3 of her surgeries over the summer and is doing very well. She still has 3 followup visits left.
- Annabelle Tarzewski, a Log Hill friend and neighbor is undergoing radiation treatment for bone cancer. Mary Ann has offered to take a collection to deliver flowers to her.

FUNDRAISING: Roze Evans; update on second annual Log Hill Hustle on September 16, 2017 as the major fundraiser. Registration is officially open, and we are currently using runningguru.com to facilitate online registration, please share this link with those who you think would be interested in participating: <http://www.runningguru.com/E2.asp?eID=27911&SourceCode=>

- At the time of this meeting a little over \$10,000 has been raised. 15 of this year's sponsors are brand new. Laureen and Roze continue to monitor incoming donations via mail, the Fortuna Tierra website, Facebook and Running Guru.
- Sandy Dick has been managing the volunteer signup and tasks via <http://signup.com/go/HcDszZF>. There will be a volunteer meeting at 7:00 pm this Friday to make sure everyone knows their roles. Dan Quigley from San Juan Runners will be present to help provide guidance and M/C the event.
- Sandy Hennessy has been doing an excellent job of securing door prize items.
- Nori and Vonnie have been managing an information table at the Ridgway Farmer's Market.
- Ridgway Mayor John Clark will be present to help with the door prize drawings and awards.
- Race registration and race bag pickup will be made available at this Friday's Farmer's Market at Town park in Ridgway.
- Mary Menz has agreed to help with PR, doing press releases with the Plaindealer, Watch and Montrose Press; as well as working with Sandy Hennessey on local radio spots and the Ridgway Chamber of Commerce.
- Wendy is assisting with Facebook posts, please be sure to "share" our posts with your Facebook friends. <https://www.facebook.com/FortunaTierra/>
- Race Bag stuffing will occur immediately following today's meeting.
- Once your volunteer role is finished, be sure to stay for the pancake breakfast. Also, if you can please stick around during final cleanup to help, especially in the kitchen, it would be greatly appreciated.

Roze then started discussing this year's secondary fundraiser - partnering in the Wine, Chocolate, and Cheese Festival on Saturday, December 9, 2017. Mary Menz has volunteered to oversee this event. In April FTC applied for and was selected as their nonprofit beneficiary for this year's event. For volunteering to assist with the event FTC could receive approximately \$600, plus there are additional opportunities to raise funds during the event which could net \$2,000+/- . A signup sheet was provided for FTC members to help with setup, assistance during the event, and day after cleanup on December 10, 2017. Mary is also coordinating an effort to create themed baskets to be a part of the fundraising event. Another signup sheet was made available for those who wished to participate in creating the various types of baskets. The baskets will be assembled by the end of October and on display at the 4H Nonprofit craft fair Saturday, November 19th from 10 AM to 3 PM at the Ouray County 4H Events Center at 22739 US-550 to see the baskets displayed and possibly buy donation tickets. The price of the tickets will be available for 3 for \$5; 8 for \$10; and 20 for \$20. Please "share" any posts you see on Facebook for the Wine, Cheese and Chocolate Festival.

NEW BUSINESS: Mary Ann presented the revised Bylaws and Policies and Procedures. The revised by-laws have been posted on the website and Laureen will file them with the Secretary of State's office.
MOTION TO APPROVE: Mary Ann. **SECOND:** Eve. **VOTE:** Unanimous Approval.

Also, Mary Ann discussed the revised Policies and Procedures and thanked Eve for her assistance with the By-laws. **MOTION TO APPROVE:** Mary Ann. **SECOND:** Irene. **VOTE:** Unanimous Approval. The Policies and Procedures will also be posted on the website.

There was discussion about moving the Fortuna Tierra Holiday luncheon due to the close proximity of the Wine, Chocolate and Cheese Festival and the general bustle of December it was agreed to schedule the Fortuna Tierra Holiday luncheon for January 15th, 2018 @ 11:30 am at the True Grit Café.

OLD BUSINESS: Profile for Vonnie Kuijvenhoven and Irene Stith to post on the website.

BIRTHDAYS: Kathy McLallen – 8/14, Tara Del Rossi- 8/30, Dixie Bergman -9/3

ANNIVERSARIES: Wendy Fenner 7/6, Ann Blakely 7/8, Elaine Wyers 7/18, Anise Herod 7/20, Roze Evans 7/27, Mary Ann Guilinger 8/4, Sandy Hennessy 8/8, Sue Weins 8/8, Mary Menz 8/29, Sharon Kreutzen 9/14, Lillian Fredericksen 9/27, and Bernadette Taylor 9/29.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 11:39 am

NEXT MEETING: January 15th, 2018 @ 11:30 am at the True Grit Café.