

Friends of the Met, Inc.
Board Meeting
INCOG Large Conference Room, WTII, 2 W 2 Street, Suite 800, Tulsa
Friday, April 1, 2022– 12:00 Noon
Meeting Minutes

Officers in Attendance In-person: President Jill Norman, Director Mike Melega, Director Michael Patton, Director Graham Brannin

Officers in Attendance by Phone: Director Cindy Spitler

Officers not in Attendance: Director Michael Willis and Director Lynn Starnes, Director Laura Mock, Director Julie Monnot

Others in Attendance In-Person: Bobby Schultz (M.e.t.), Terrie Hannam (M.e.t.)

Friends of the M.e.t, Inc. Board of Directors met on April 1, 2022. President Jill Norman called the meeting to order at 12:11 pm.

I. Introductions: Friends Board, Guest

President Jill Norman welcomed the board members.

II. Approve Minutes from January 14, 2022 Meeting

Michael Patton moved to approve the *Minutes of January 14, 2022*. Mike Melega seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

III. FY 21/22 Financials

a) Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Budget Report

Bobby Schultz reviewed the *Balance Sheet* commenting on the negative net income is a result of revenue received in the previous fiscal year and expensed in this fiscal year. The *Income Statement's code 4052* shows the \$50,000 received from the PepsiCo grant. Bobby Schultz reviewed the *Budget Report* commenting on revenue for the Enviro Expo as \$4,800 as money received but that more is expected. Regarding expenses, he reviewed the items approved at the last Board of Director's meeting such as the \$6,000 for the Driller's Promotion under code 6106.

Bobby Schultz mentioned that at a previous meeting, it was recommended that we set up Facebook with friends in order to create birthday fundraisers. After correspondence with Facebook, we discovered our bank statement's name for Friends of the M.e.t., Inc. does not match exactly with our non-profit status certificate. He said we will have to contact the bank to get the appropriate abbreviations in our name on the bank statements.

b) Approval of Receipts and Disbursements for January 2022 through March 2022

Bobby Schultz asked for half of the education grant money in the amount of \$25,000 to hire an educator for the rural areas. He said he will ask for the second half in the next fiscal year.

Michael Patton moved to approve the Receipts and Disbursements for the period of January 2022 through March 2022. Mike Melega seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Bobby Schultz said he is in the process of finding an educator possibly a new graduate from University of Tulsa. There was a brief discussion on how to reach the rural schools. Michael Patton suggested contacting the local library to give propaganda for the new program.



IV. Details on Enviro Expo, April 20, 2022

Bobby Schultz expressed thanks the Naming Sponsor ONEOK for their participation this year. He reviewed the various sponsors and mentioned the Tulsa County Commissioner Sallée is planning to read a proclamation at the noon hour during the event. There was a brief discussion about having space for a Monarchs group like the Onochie Butterfly Farm.

About Go Green night, Bobby Schultz said he continues to find co-sponsors for the event. The event will have a small green trade show not to conflict with Enviro Expo but a few invites are the City of Tulsa, Tulsa Conservation District, and Up with Trees. The first 1,000 participants will get the green jerseys and education announcement during the game.

Michael Patton moved approval of the expense of the Go Green Night at the Tulsa Drillers. Julie Monnot seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mike Melega said the Tulsa Drillers would like to supply tickets to the workers at the recycling centers and their families as a way of thanking them for all their hard work. Also, he suggested a worker or workers could be recognized by throwing the first pitch of the game.

V. Report on Big Spring Clean, Drillers Go Green Night, and Other Upcoming Spring Events

Bobby Schultz reviewed the collection numbers from the Big Spring Clean event. Michael Patton mentioned that volume is not as important to discuss toxicity in the conversation. Bobby Schultz said that we were thankful to have the SHOTS organization collecting the sharps and those sharps are a huge disposal problem for the waste haul industry. There was a lengthy discussion regarding medication collections and Terrie Hannam mentioned the rules have changed to where only the DEA or OBN agents can touch the transfer of medication into the boxes. Volunteers must be used for traffic or surveys.

Bobby Schultz reviewed the plan for the Go Green night on April 14th including Up with Trees handing out seedlings. Mike Melega asked for a list of the seedlings. Terrie Hannam said she would get this information to him. Cindy Spitler said she would follow up with Mike Melega about plantings at the Driller's Stadium. Mike Milega asked Bobby Schultz to let him know who is going to do the first pitch. Bobby displayed fliers for other events in Collinsville and Claremore. He mentioned a fire extinguisher event in South Tulsa at the Lowes on May 14th.

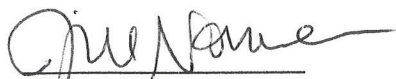
VI. Discussion Regarding America Recycles Day Banquet

Due to Covid virus, Bobby Schultz said we have not had a banquet in two years. He asked the Board to discuss if we should have a banquet this year. All agreed that there should be some type of event for America Recycles Day. Someone mentioned that the word banquet might be outdated, and gala or spotlight might be better terms. Mike Melega said the Drillers has a large conference room with media and that he could make a good deal on having the event at the Drillers. Graham Brannin recommended the ARD committee meeting to discuss ideas on a type of event. Michael Patton suggested contacting Jeanette with Keep Oklahoma Beautiful on ideas for award winners.

VII. New Business

There being no new business, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved on 6-30-22



President



Secretary

