

KEEP MESQUITE BEAUTIFUL, INC.
Board of Directors' Meeting
Mesquite Arts Center Rehearsal Hall
1527 N. Galloway Avenue, Mesquite, TX 75149

11:30 am

December 13, 2021

Present: Glendens Bazuaye, Susie Court, Beverly Danaher, Sammie Earl, Angel Gregory, Andy Kwart, Teresa Price, Sharon Roy, David Sheppard, Joy Vroonland, Terri White, Lisa Wilson, Selket Daese (Executive Director).

Absent: Jana Hubacek

Call to Order: Susie Court called the meeting to order at 11:33 a.m.

Recitation of Mission Statement – The mission statement was recited by all board members.

Welcome Visitors: Kurt Boxdorfer, Judy Schwartz

Regular Agenda Items:

- **Approval of August Minutes:** Joy Vroonland moved to approve the minutes; Sharon Roy seconded. The motion carried.
- **Review/Approval of Financials:** The KMB financials were reviewed. Terri White moved the Financials be approved; Joy Vroonland seconded. The motion carried.

New Business:

- **Vote on 2022 Slate of Officers:** The following Slate of Keep Mesquite Beautiful Officers was presented by the Nominating Committee: Chair, Sharon Roy; Chair Elect, Terri White; Vice Chair, Sammie Earl; Secretary, David Sheppard; Treasurer, Angel Gregory; Parliamentarian, Beverley Danaher; Historian, Lisa Wilson. Glendens Bazuaye moved the Slate be approved, Andy Kwart seconded the motion. The 2022 KMB Officers were elected. Joy Vroonland thanked Andy Kwart for his work on the Nominating Committee.
- **Vote to adopt 2022 KMB Calendar:** Selket Daese presented the 2022 calendar which includes First Monday of each month as a materials prep day for litter pickup activities and for other KMB activities as needed. Angel Gregory moved the Calendar be approved, Sammie Earl seconded. The motion carried.
- **New Board Terms** – Terms, Council appointed (and KMB approved), and Board elected membership were discussed. Selket Daese will provide an updated Board Membership list. Judy Schwartz and Kurt Boxdorfer were elected to the Board. Joy Vroonland is retiring from the Board when her term expires at the end of 2021. She will remain a Friend of KMB.
- **Committee Briefs (3 minute limits per committee).**
 - a. **Beautification** – Terri White reported on her dried flower arrangements that were photographed by Kurt Boxdorfer. The photos will be used to create cards that will be sold to fund raise. The Committee has finished the native seed packets which will be given away to volunteers at our January seed sowing day in the Butterfly Trail. The City has not agreed to assist with the January event; however, the Committee is prepared to continue on its own. The Committee will explore buying native wildflower seed mixes that could be resold for fundraising and for enhancing the Butterfly Trail in the future. Terri White reported the Committee purchased and planted, in the Butterfly Trail, \$166 worth of locally grown native plants.

- b. **Community Vitality** – Andy Kwart suggested if KMB continues to participate in the annual Christmas in the Park event then it should have its own booth, rather than share with Neighborhood Vitality. This will increase KMB’s visibility as a participant.
- c. **Committee Changes for 2022** – Selket Daese asked Board Members to review the current KMB Committees. Members should be prepared to suggest any structural changes and to change or remain in their chosen volunteer committee assignments.
- d. **Yard of the Month** – Angel Gregory reported the committee will be selecting 2 winners each from 2 city districts for awards. The City of Mesquite will interview and photograph the winners. Space on the Yard of the Month signs will include recognition of businesses that donate to the award. For example, Ron’s Organics has donated 4 gift cards.

Old Business:

- **Vote to adopt revised KMB Bylaws:** The vote to adopt has been postponed. Selket Daese will again distribute the proposed revisions. Any further suggestions should be submitted to Selket ASAP. Board Members will vote on the revised Bylaws at the January Board Meeting.

Executive Director’s Report:

Selket Daese announced a partnership with Mesquite Arts Center. 1 or 2 volunteers are needed for preparing and distributing 436 “Tote-n-Go” bags for Earth Day, Arbor Day, and Spring Break. Joy Vroonland moved expenses be approved for KMB promotional items to be included. Beverly Danaher seconded. The motion carried.

Reminders:

- The next KMB meeting will be January 10, 2022 from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the Mesquite Arts Center Rehearsal Hall

Call for Community Announcements: None.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 12:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by David Sheppard, Secretary