

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

11:30 am

March 14, 2022

**Present:** Glendens Bazuaye, Beverly Danaher, Sammie Earl, Teresa Price, Sharon Roy, David Sheppard, Terri White, Lisa Wilson, Selket Daese (Executive Director).

**Absent:** Angel Gregory, Judy Schwartz

**Call to Order:** Sharon Roy called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m.

**Opening Ceremonies:**

- \* Welcome – Members and guests were welcomed by the Chair.
- \* Guest Recognition – The following guests introduced themselves: Nancy & John Riley, Carrie Barber, Maxcie Taylor, Brenda Randle, and Claudia Ryan.
- \* Birthday Recognition – None.
- \* Mission Statement – Read by all Board Members

**Reading/Approval of Minutes and Financials:**

- \* Minutes – the February minutes were amended to show the next Board Meeting would be in March, not February; the amended minutes were approved.
- \* Financials – the Financials were discussed and approved.

**Unfinished Business:**

- \* Committee Needs – Committee vacancies on the following committees were discussed: Marketing and Education, Youth Outreach, and Community Vitality. Lisa Wilson will Chair and David Sheppard will Co-Chair the Marketing and Education Committee; Terri White and Sammie Earl will Co-Chair the Youth Outreach Committee; Beverly Danaher will Chair and Sammie Earl will Co-Chair the Community Vitality Committee.
- \* Appreciation Brunch – Will be held at Terri White's house on May 20. David Sheppard made a motion to "approve \$500.00 in expenses for the Appreciation Brunch." Glendens Bazuaye seconded. The motion carried.
- \* T-Shirts – no progress has been made on new T-shirts for the Board.
- \* Beautification + Art – Just For Kids; March 15<sup>th</sup>, 11 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Selket Daese asked for 2 volunteers to assist her with this Arts Center collaboration; Teresa Price and David Sheppard volunteered.

**New Business:**

- \* **Housekeeping:** Beverly Danaher moved "\$1,000.00 be approved for the Marketing and Education Committee budget." Sammie Earl seconded and the motion carried. Sammie Earl moved "\$500.00 be approved for the Community Vitality Committee budget." Glendens Bazuaye seconded and the motion carried. David Sheppard moved "\$2,000.00 be approved for the Cleanup Initiatives budget." Terri White seconded and the motion carried. Beverly Danaher moved "\$1,000.00 be approved for the Contests & Awards Committee." Glendens Bazuaye seconded and the motion carried.
- \* **Committee Focus Update:**

- The Community Vitality Committee dropped the Tool Trailer and Christmas in the Park from their committee focus.
- The Beautification Committee dropped Community Gardens and Neighborhood Gateways from their focus. The Committee expressed interest in working with the City of Mesquite to develop pocket prairies in several City Parks and in partnering with Downtown Mesquite and Historic Mesquite.
- The KMB Cleanup Initiatives Committee dropped Recycling and Trash Receptacle Expansion from their committee focus.
- The KMB Contests and Awards Committee dropped Landscape Design, Floral Award, and Pressed Floral Art from their committee focus.

**\* Committee Reports**

- Community Vitality – The Committee needs volunteers to help on Mesquite Recycles Day. A signup sheet was passed around for Board Members to volunteer.
- Beautification – The Committee’s proposed sites for rescuing bluebonnet plants were not approved by the City. On March 28, the Committee will visit the City’s proposed pocket prairie site at Valley Creek Park (and possibly others). October 27 is proposed for seed sowing at pocket prairie sites provided the sites are prepared in time. The DR Trimmer battery charge is reported to be defective and a new one is being shipped.
- Cleanup Initiatives – The initial rollout of Adopt-A-Spot will include 12 areas, 2 in each City District. Committee members have chosen the District in which they will verify the cleanups have taken place. The Trash Bash start location will again be at the Community Services Building. Pens, with KMB LOGO, will be given away to Trash Bash participants.
- Contests & Awards – Yard of the Month awards will start on May 15 and be awarded monthly. Two yards in each of 2 City Districts will be chosen. Door hangers will be used to notify winners.

**Executive Director’s Overview:**

- \* Solid Waste Grant – Clean City Initiative Project Consultant: Big Hit Creative has been selected as marketing consultant under a grant to the City of Mesquite for help with the Clean City Initiative.
- \* Neighborhood Summit – review: the Mesquite Neighborhood Summit held at the end of February was described as an excellent way for citizens to learn about the function(s) of city government.
- \* Mesquite Rodeo Parade – Volunteers needed: Volunteers from the Keep Mesquite Beautiful Board are asked to attend the Rodeo Parade. David Sheppard moved that “KMB pay the \$40.00 parade entrance fee for Maxcie Taylor in exchange for KMB signage on her vehicle during the parade”. Beverly Danaher seconded and the motion carried.
- \* Recording Meetings – There was no objection by the Board to these proceedings being recorded.

**Reminders:**

- \* March 14 – Officers’ Meeting, 1:15 p.m.
- \* March 15 – Beautification Project, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Arts Center  
- March 1-31 – March Committee Reports due to Selket; KMB \$25 dues to be paid to Selket
- \* April 11 – KMB Board Meeting, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Call for Community Announcements:** There were no announcements.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 1:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by David Sheppard, Secretary