

**Wyoming Senior Olympics  
Board of Directors Meeting  
David Romero Youth Activity and Community Center  
Cheyenne, WY**

August 7, 2019  
5:00 pm

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Stone at 5:04 pm. Those board members present included Gay Woodhouse, Jim Boucher, Alicia Brown, John Cox, Rodger Kentfield, and Georgia Carmin. Absent were Carmen Boyd, Larry Foianini, and Jodi Guerin. Others in attendance included Theresa Moore and Skip Arnold. Bill Stone mentioned that we had not officially elected Theresa Moore to the Board. Georgia moved to add Theresa to the Board and Jim seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Gay Woodhouse moved to accept the minutes of the previous meeting on June 26. Rodger seconded the motion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer Georgia Carmin reported that the CD at Wester Vista had been moved to Blue Federal Credit Union on 6/29/2017. Upon approval of the Board at the last meeting, \$6600.00 was taken from First Interstate and added to Blue to bring the balance in that 2-year CD to \$20,132.90.

The First Interstate Bank account's beginning balance was \$61,147.51. With the Check to Blue for \$6600.00, the \$5,000 check to Larry Foianini for seed money for the Laramie Winter Games, and the \$7,000 returned to Laramie, the ending balance is \$42,440.85.

Bill Stone moved to approve the Treasurer's Report with Jim Boucher adding a second. It was approved.

**SUMMER GAMES**

Theresa Moore stated that the balance in the WSO City account was \$29,354.47. She reported that the bulk of the bills had been paid. Payment for timing, meals, the bags (\$2500), and the commissioner for pickle ball (\$100) had not yet been made. She reported that the medals (\$5000) would be enough for next year as well. The banquet cost is \$2500, and the opening Ceremony food is about \$1300.

An estimated 100 participants are planning to attend the banquet at the opening ceremonies. The event commissioners have also been invited. There will be a parade downtown to the Capitol, where Secretary of State Buchanan will speak.

Theresa reported that they are still in need of volunteers, but seem to be ready to begin the Games. Bill thanked Theresa and her staff for pulling everything together in the short time frame. Again, many thanks to Theresa and her staff.

**WINTER GAMES** - with Larry absent, we will include this in next meeting's agenda.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- I. Jim Boucher has decided he will not serve on the Board again next term. With his health issues and those of his wife, he has had to spend more of his time at a lower altitude. Bill thanked him for his service to the Board and the Senior Olympics. His sound advice will be missed.
- II. Bill then announced that we have a Board opening and recommended Skip Arnold, a long time participant in the WSO games. Skip won the Gold medal at Nationals in the long jump and is a supporter of the games. He will lead the parade carrying the lighted torch to the Capitol, where he will light the large torch. Jim moved that Steve (Skip) be added to the Board and Gay Seconded that motion which was unanimously approved.
- III. An email was received by the Board from Ken Konicek requesting the return of a portion of the funds to Pinedale. The money received from Pinedale was \$22,000. Gay Woodhouse moved to return 25% of the proceeds for hosting the Winter Games back to Pinedale. John Cox seconded the motion to promote a discussion. Gay suggested that hosting the games is hard work and expensive and denying this refund is not conducive to finding new hosts. Alycia felt that by doing this, it would be "opening a can of worms" for every host in the past to request refunds. John Cox suggested that since Pinedale had the money and had piggy backed onto WSO's 503C, they had to give back the money and dissolve. Gay then moved to table the motion. The issue will be postponed for now.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- I. WSO 2021-2022 Host City needed for Summer Games  
Bill has sent RFPs throughout the state and no one has answered. He then sent RFPs to the mayors and chambers of Commerce in Gillette and Evanston. He has not yet heard from either city. Worland and Thermopolis are also working to coordinate a plan between the two towns. A lengthy discussion on possible solutions to this problem ensued. Conversations included splitting the games between two cities, revisiting several cities with the incentive, dropping several sports to simplify the games, splitting the games between Colorado and Wyoming since they are both open states, contacting Casper to see if they would be willing to organize the games possibly on a permanent basis, changing the dates to September, and hosting different events and different times of the year in different locations. John Cox agreed to visit with Casper officials about hosting, and Gay Woodhouse offered to help him. Bill will contact Greeley to see if splitting between the two states is possible, since Colorado no longer hosts the games. Bill will resend letters with the incentives to attract a host.

The next meeting will be decided at a later date. The meeting was adjourned by Bill Stone at 6:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Georgia Carmin, Secretary

