EGSC Foundation Meeting Minutes
September 19, 2016


Absent: Jean Bridges, Dustin Durden, Donald Jenkins,(Proxy) Richard McNeely, Harriett Ray, Bobby Reeves,(Proxy) Charles Schwabe, Bill Simmons, Jessie Stone, Shot Strange, Lynda Talmadge, Ken Warnock,(Proxy) Carol Yeomans, Bill Rogers, Jr. (Proxy)

Present by Proxy: 4, In attendance: 12 – Quorum complete

Staff Present: Elizabeth Gilmer, Mike Rountree, Norma Kennedy, Dr. Tim Goodman, Donald Avery, Wiley Gammon, Jimmy Wedincamp, Jean Schwabe, Erin Yeomans

Guest: Troy Breitman, Queensborough National Bank & Trust

The meeting was held at the Bobcat Villas Clubhouse at 6:00 pm.

Denny Key, chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting. Milton Gray gave the invocation.

Troy Breitman, Vice President and Trust Officer of Queensborough National Bank & Trust, gave a presentation on Planned Giving. A handout was given to the members and staff in attendance.

ESPLOST Presentation
Elizabeth Gilmer gave a presentation on the ESPLOST. Members and staff in attendance were asked to vote “yes” to extend the 1% sales tax and to vote “no” to Amendment 1 on November 8, 2016.

BOBCAT BEES
Erin Yeomans presented a PowerPoint on our Bobcat Bees. The Bobcat Apiary Honey Bee Project received the GYSTC Incentive Grant for fiscal year 2016. The bee cam can be viewed by going to www.epa.edu/bee-cam

EGSC History Project
Norma Kennedy and Dr. John Derden gave an overview of a historical collection project that is being planned leading up to our 50th anniversary in 2023. The printed compilations will be done by the decade and sold as commemorative books. The foundation was asked to be the resource for financial transactions for the project, i.e. deposits from sales and payment to printer. There will be no cost to the foundation but they will act as agent.

A motion to approve was made by Milton Gray and seconded by Bobby Sasser. The motion carried unanimously.
Minutes
A motion was made by John Derden and seconded by Milton Gray to accept the minutes of June 20, 2016 as presented. It was unanimously approved.

Financials
Adjustments haven’t been made from the July Audit yet, per Cliff Gay. A motion to approve the financials as presented was made by Milton Gray with a second by John Derden. Motion to accept financials was approved unanimously.

President’s Comments
The highlight from President Boehmer’s comments included:
- A handout on key indicators for each division of the college – brief discussions of various benchmarks
- We are up 12.7% in state allocations – “the stories contained within these numbers show a lot of promise and a lot of hard work.”
- President Boehmer shared a very uplifting message from John Keith, a former student.

Committee/Special Reports/Requests
Elizabeth Gilmer spoke on a few topics pertaining to the Morgan House.
1) The house needed some electrical work. There were a few switches and some wiring that needed to be redone. The total cost was less than $800.
2) Daniel Kaminsky with Savannah Galleries is in the process of reviewing the list of personal property and will be visiting in the next couple of weeks to aid in whether to sell or not.
3) The painting at the Morgan House has not been completed. A letter was sent to the painter, Eric Kirkland, and he has guaranteed completion.

Elizabeth also discussed the Gambrell property. An appraisal from Julian Sconyers is needed before proceeding.

Funding
We have a proposal from Palmetto Grant Consulting to aid us in looking for funding opportunities. The cost of the one-year contract is $2400 monthly and includes research and grant submission requests to foundations and corporations. PGC will complete 1-3 proposals per month. The have an 80% success rate.

A motion was made by Wade Johnson to accept the contract with a second by Toni Terwilliger. The motion was approved unanimously.
Institutional Advancement
Key indicators were distributed on fundraising and development initiatives.

Key calendar dates were discussed and distributed.

New Business: The chair called for Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 5 at McKinney’s Pond for the annual holiday meeting and dinner.

Meeting adjourned at 8 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

[Signature]

Elizabeth Gilmer, on behalf of Harriet Ray