

ETHICIAN FOUNDATION MEETING OF THE BOARD
SEPTEMBER 4, 2016

The special board meeting was held in Pelican II foundation property in Waterwood, TX.

PRESENT WERE

Board Members Present:

MARGARET ANNE RUSSELL (MAR)
JANE RUSSELL MCCULLAH (JRM)
KAREN LEE ROBINSON (KLR)
SUE BENNETT RUSSELL (SBR)
GEORGE HAW RUSSELL (GHR)

GUESTS:

NICHOLAS M. SHURGOT
KRISTI ZELTNER
MIKE ZELTNER

The meeting was called to order by GHR at 2:15 p.m. on Sunday, September 4th, 2016.

GHR chairman began by bringing asking for a review of the existing relationship with Sam Houston State University. The question was asked whether the foundation should continue with the development of relationships with SHSU and other scientists.

SBR moves to continue relationship with SHSU scientists and university scientists world wide.

Unanimously approved.

GHR explained that Dr. Godwin plans to assist the foundation to coordinate and approve/administer scientific work pertaining to ecology and archeology, acting as scientific advisory committee.

JRM moves to appoint Dr. Godwin to the Committee of Scientific Advisors and Researchers and that we accept the additional scientists to committee as they are approved by Dr. Godwin.

George H. and Suzanne B Russell have offered 4.33 acres of land to the foundation so that the Ethician Foundation may sell the property and use the money for wildlife

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refuges, botanical preserves and museums. There are two offers now and a third potential buyer flying over from London to view the land.

KLR moves to accept the 4.33acre tract on behalf of foundation.
JRM seconded.

Acceptance of gift was unanimously approved.

GHR then explained that the Universal Ethician Church (UEC) owns 50% of the land in the current preserve. The Foundation then manages the UEC land. We need a formal arrangement wherein the Bishop and the ED of the foundation can negotiate management fees from the UEC.

GHR moves to ask the UEC for \$100,000.00 fee to cover management of wildlife sanctuaries.

MAR seconds.

Unanimously passed.

GHR called for any old issues to discuss. None were introduced.

New Issues to discuss:

Godwin is actively seeking money for the foundation. One of his ideas was for Dr. Pickering to donate 200k -300K toward the finishing the historic Birmingham house. It would then be leased to Pickering's organization, "Discover Life."

GHR posed the question as to whether the Ethician Foundation should have the right to invite interested parties to advise board in an exofficio status.

JRM moves that those interested in the foundation, and approved by the board, can be appointed as exofficio members.

Board voted unanimously in favor. Motion passed.

GHR moves that Nick Shurgot, Mike Zeltner and Kristi Zeltner be appointed.

KLR seconds. There was unanimous approval of exofficio status for these three persons.

Donations:

GHR announces a very generous donation from himself to the Foundation from his IRA, of 100K.

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Exofficio member, Nick Shurgot offers the donation of a boat to for use in wildlife census.

SBR moves to accept boat.
Seconded by JRM.
Unanimous approval.

House donation: Godwin wanted to donate two houses in Nacogdoches to Foundation. 58K still owed on houses near SFA. Should be able to sell for 70K each, even as is. During diligence, GHR talked directly to current owner who is desperately poor. She is elderly, needs money to live, and she is in poor health. GHR said it was unethical to take donation and flip because older lady would be destitute. This scenario was rejected by GHR.

Last order of business is to accept Godwin's report as part of minutes.

KLR moves to accept report from scientific committee for approval and modification with the exception of paragraph 3C.

Godwin had been working with orchid specialist. There are rare orchids on Geraldine Watson's preserve. She is dead and her son is old and sick. Son brought Geraldine's entire collection of paintings. GHR bought the paintings for 5K and donated to Foundation. Geraldine's foundation has rights to reproduce paintings and EF has placed the paintings on loan to SHSU to be cleaned and managed in the college museum.

Godwin has requested that the Watson's foundation donate her preserve to the Ethician Foundation and then Godwin would oversee the collection on 10-19 acres with a cottage. If Godwin manages to facilitate this donation and the Ethician Foundation bears no financial responsibility or liability with it we might then consider finding a way to accept the Watson Preserve. Maxine Watson is on the board and is a productive board member.

MAR moves to adjourn.

JRM seconds.

Meeting was ended at 3:40pm.

Signed,


Margaret A Russell