

**Minutes from the
Regular Business Meeting
of the STAT Board of Directors
October 18th, 2021 – Zoom Meeting – 6:00 pm**

Board Members: Kathy Emanuel, Secretary, Presiding; Kurt Schulz, Treasurer; Jared Eakins; Melvin Everson; Alice Snipes; and Andrew Yee present. Absent: Don Britt, President, Billy Franklin, Vice President and Lucy DeForest.

Other Attendees: Kelly McAlloon, STAT Executive Director and Gretchen Schulz, City Councilperson.

Due to Kelly McAlloon's immobility and several board members' schedules it was determined that a Zoom meeting would be held rather than an "in person" meeting. President Britt was unavailable due to COVID-19.

- 1.0 Call to Order / Determination of a Quorum:** Secretary Kathy Emanuel called the meeting to order. Established that a quorum was present.
- 2.0 Approval of the August 16th Regular Meeting Minutes:** Motion to approve the August 16th Board of Director Regular Meeting minutes made by Melvin Everson, seconded by Alice Snipes. Motion to passed unanimously.
- 3.0 Treasurer's Report:** Kurt deferred to Kelly for the treasurer's report. Kelly reported we received a \$95,000 in the bank and are owed \$135,000.00 from the city. Kelly working on income/expenses from the latest events. Will have by the next meeting.

4.0 Old Business:

- 4.1 2021 Ornament – Update:** We have received 60 and Kurt has fitted them with hooks and cords. Kelly is still working on getting boxes. Remainder of ornaments should be received soon. Ornament is running just under \$6. Still need ribbons and boxes. Decided on charging \$10.00 each. That will cover all costs. Kurt Schulz made a motion to sell at \$10.00 each, seconded by Melvin Everson. Unanimously approved.
- 4.2 Committee Reports:**
 - A) Community Garden:** Kurt reported that a greenhouse plant sales were \$800.00 with what they were able to salvage when the fan went out on the greenhouse.
 - B) Farmers' Market:** Kurt reported that they are theying a new layout for the parking lot. Have 33 vendors signed up. First Extended Market very well attended.
 - C) Editorial/Spirit Magazine:** Working on winter edition. Should be out around the second week in November.
 - D) Commerce Club:** Next meeting will be November 9th (Due to elections on the 2nd). It will be our annual membership meeting, hopefully Don will be well enough to give the STAT annual report. Kelly gave an update on Don's condition. Andrew also mentioned he was doing better and they are watching out for him.
 - E) Events / Volunteering:** Kelly thanked everyone who came out for the fall festival. Had a lot of great volunteers. Vendors were very pleased. Reported there were problems with the generators. But went off well. The two people we hired worked very hard. Christmas tree event being worked on. Still having some resistance with people wanting to come out because of COVID. Horse and carriages not interested. Looking for alternatives. Kurt commended Kelly and Jessica on a great job.
- 4.3 STAT Board Nominating Committee:** Kelly reported five nominating committee members in place. Alice, Kurt and Jared have re-applied, Lucy will be re-applying. Billy Franklin will not be re-applying. Working on making new contacts with E. R. Snell. Kurt suggested Stephanie McDonald as a potential asset. Kelly will contact her. Melvin asked if we should consider having someone from South and Brookwood High Schools on the board. Kathy suggested we reach out and ask for teachers/administrators who would like to serve on the board rather than have specific seats allotted. We will add this to the retreat agenda. Alice mentioned Lou Ann Mamrey as a possible board member. Kelly will reach out to her. Kathy said she was comfortable with having a good candidate wait to join until after they were accepted onto the board. Consensus was that would be fine. But we would have to adjust the by-laws regarding their being a member before the application process.
- 4.4 STAT Volunteer Hours:** Alice is taking on volunteer hours. Please turn in your hours.
- 4.5 STAT Volunteer Recognition Dinner and Celebration in January:** We had to cancel this for 2020. Would like to get it done in 2021. We need to check with Don with having the club availability. Discussion on the advantages of having it. Consensus is it is a good event and we should get to work.

Kelly mentioned the Macy Ribbon Cutting on October 29th. Kelly needs responses ASAP.

Kelly started to mention the scooter rental. Kathy said she had told Kelly she felt strongly that STAT should pay for the scooter. It was essential for her job at the Fall Festival. Motion to pay for scooter for Kelly for the Fall Festival made by Kurt Schulz, seconded by Alice Snipes. Motion to passed unanimously.

5.0 New Business:

6.0 President's Report: No report

7.0 Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Jared Eakins at 6:55 pm, seconded by Alice Snipes. Motion to passed unanimously.

Kathy Emanuel, Secretary, Presiding

Kurt Schulz, Treasurer