

RBRCCB Minutes
April 6, 2019
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Federation Center

Welcome:

The meeting was called to order by Frank Coppel at 10:00 a.m. Isaiah Nelson opened the meeting in prayer.

Members Present:

Frank Coppel (chair), Ed Bible (vice chair), Shannon Cook (secretary), Valerie Warrington (treasurer), David Houck, Jennifer Bazer, Debra Canty, and Lenora Robertson.

Members not present were Thomas Bowen, and Donald Capps.

Others present were Linda Bible (by phone), Parnell Diggs, Shelley Coppel, Steve Cook, Loretta Green, Julie Bible, Ike Nelson, AJ McFadden, Matthew Duffell-Hoffman, Hilda Smalls, Herbert Boykin, Linda Dizzley, Pat Wolthoff, and Dale Wolthoff

Reading and approval of Minutes:

The minutes from the December and January meetings were read, moved for passage, and approved by the board.

Treasurer's Report:

Valerie Warrington read the financial report for the past few months. The following balances are in the respective accounts.

General:	\$1391.58
Children's Camp:	\$7607.19
Endowment:	\$5470.94
Total:	\$14,469.71

The report was moved for passage by Jennifer Bazer, seconded, and passed by the board.

The chair asked if the board would rather have a detailed financial report, or have it in a summary statement. The discussion revealed that those who expressed their views would rather have a detailed report.

Chair Coppel also asked about the mileage reimbursement. The FCB adopted a change last week to go up to \$0.40 per mile. Jennifer Bazer moved to change the RBRCCB reimbursement amount to \$0.40 also. The motion was seconded and passed by the board.

Senior Camp:

Shelley Coppel and Shannon Cook are co-directing camp this year. Lenora Robertson, Ellen Taylor, and the rest of the usual staff will be providing the meals once again. Shelley has already rented a golf cart to help with transporting campers back and forth from the Conference Center to

their rooms. The seniors will go to Chattooga Bell Farms for the field trip on Tuesday. There is a bistro where the campers and staff will have lunch. This is the same location that the national senior week attendees went in the fall for the first time. The Farm is very open to working with people using sleep shades for training. They were helpful with describing things as needed too. New helpers this session are Gerald McMurray from the Belvedere Chapter, Liz Lewis, and Michael Hart from Brevard. They are former SC residents and were active in the NFB of SC. The co-directors have also planned discussion group topics and home management activities.

Children's Camp:

So far, Jennifer Bazer reports having 22 applicants for camp June 9-16. Kaitlyn Hodges from the TBS will come for story time and crafts. Jennifer Bazer is currently looking for a life guard for the week, as well as a team for the kitchen. She has lined up nurses and a kayaking group, called Canoeing for Kids, for the week

Operations Report:

Ed Bible reported that the rolls of plastic for the moisture barriers were placed under the buildings. The three that Ike Nelson bought and three more that the Bibles and Coppels bought were used, but more is needed. The chapel damage is still not fixed yet. The trees that fell took out the heat pump and fencing around the dam, not to mention the damage to the chapel itself. In Osterneck, several dehumidifiers have been running and have helped to eliminate a tremendous amount of moisture there. Hopefully, this will stop the mold from regrowing as quickly as it may have otherwise. Also, there is termite damage, but it is not as severe as initially thought previously and noted in prior minutes. DHEC is still checking on the protocols and improvements that have been recommended for the past 20 years. Boards were reinforced. The holding tanks were pressure washed and painted. Railing was repaired. The gutters were cleaned in both Osterneck and Ellenberg. Mt. Hebron spent \$500 on supplies during the work trip last weekend. DHEC also shows that there is an old abandoned pump listed as functional, but it has not been used in years. It has to be removed to comply with the recommendations. In addition, the new pump has to have a well cover. The Salem Lions Club is planning to get that project done. The chimney in Osterneck has to be secured too. Frank read the inspection report from one of the members of the Salem Lions who worked as a building inspector for Pickens County. David Houck suggested recognizing the Salem Lions for all of their work at RBRCCB over the past few years by way of a plaque or some other token of appreciation. One priority is to have the septic tanks pumped out in time for senior camp to keep from having a dramatic situation occur. That would be approximately a \$3600 cost (6 tanks x \$600 each). Linda Bible, resident manager, stated that all kitchen staff has to have hair nets and gloves for the DHEC inspections. The ceiling in the Chapel is leaking and swelling. There are several heat pumps that are out. Those are around \$6000 each to replace. Shannon Cook suggested creating a master list of all repairs for each building, big and small, with approximate costs associated with each. This would give RBRCCB a grand total of what it would cost to get things in optimal condition. There would obviously be things that were high priority and some of lesser need. Jennifer Bazer offered that by having a master list, it would help to solicit help from the community and throughout the nation by way of social media to gather the funds and/or supplies for these vast projects.

RBRCCB was invited to Greenville to the statewide Lions Conference next weekend. The International President from Iceland will be there. The Salem Lions will let the camp use their table for promotion of RBRCCB; since, it is too late to reserve one. A banner is being made as well as a trifold display to use at the table. Ed Bible had new brochures for the camp printed. Dondra Bible, David Houck, and Jennifer Bazer pooled their information to update the brochures. They were designed for the general public to promote rentals for the camp. Dondra read and described the layout of the brochure.

Several people had questions. Steve Cook asked about the wording of the final section that stated that Rocky Bottom was owned by an eight-member board. He suggested it should say "owned and operated" or some variation. Steve also questioned why the NFB of SC site was used on the front of the brochure, instead of Rocky Bottom's site. That was an oversight. Since the brochures have already been printed, this correction will be made on the next batch to be printed once these 5000 are used. Because the brochures were planned and printed rather quickly, there was not enough time for others to review for any tweaks to be made before they were printed.

Midlands Gives:

Midlands Gives will be held on Tuesday, May 7th. There will be people on hand at the Federation Center to take donations and submit them during the Power Hour from noon to 1:00 p.m. The organization with the most unique donations gets an additional \$2500. Last year, the camp raised \$1800. Chair Coppel said he would like to double that to get to \$3600 this year. There are multiple neighborhood locations that will be staffed by Successful Transitions to bring in extra donations. So far, they are East Bay Deli, Chick-fil-A, and Crossings Deli. Jennifer Bazer encouraged everyone to get involved to help with the donations, or to help staff the sites. Frank also mentioned that each district rep on the NFB of SC board will be working with their chapters to help with getting everyone involved for this event. The district with the most donations will get a trophy at the state convention.

Fun Day Festival:

August 31, 2019 was proposed to be the date of Fun Day and the \$500 drawing. People can stay Friday through Sunday. After then, no food will be provided, but they are welcome to make a reservation. Last year, \$3200 was raised during the Fun Day weekend. Jennifer Bazer moved that Fun Day take place on August 31, 2019. The motion was seconded and passed by the board. Tickets will be \$5. The grand prize is \$500; \$50 to the seller; \$300 to the chapter who sells the most tickets.

Silent Auction at the State Convention:

During the reception, there will be a silent auction, a band, and heavy hors d'oeuvres. Tables will be sold and sponsored. All proceeds from the reception will benefit Rocky Bottom. There will be someone stationed at each auction item to describe it and record the bids.

Frank suggested having the next RBRCCB board meeting in July. He said that it gets very hectic having both board meetings at the state convention, along with the other festivities that take place. The board agreed that the next meeting would be held on July 27th from 10:00 to 12:00 noon.

Adjournment:

The meeting was closed in prayer, at noon by Debra Canty.

Submitted by,

Shannon Cook

RBRCCB Secretary