Minutes of Board Meeting
April 6, 2017

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Desert Recreation Foundation was held at Administration Building 45-305 Oasis Street, Indio, California.

Board of Directors in Attendance:
Ernesto Rosales, Vice President
Jason Schneider, Treasurer
John Henry Garcia, Director
Benjamin Guitron, Director
Sergio Gutierrez, Director

Board of Directors Absent:
Silvia Paz, Director
Brandt Kuhn, President
Wendy Belk, Secretary
Chandra Patel, Director

Desert Recreation District Staff and Other:
Kevin Kalman, General Manager
Tim Skogen, ED FTCV
Barb Adair, Assistant General Manager

1. **Opening Ceremonies:**

   Call to Order: Vice President Rosales called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM

   **Roll Call:**

   Present: Rosales, Schneider, Guitron, Gutierrez, Garcia
   Absent: Patel, Paz, Kuhn, Belk

2. **Approval of Agenda:**

   Director Guitron made the motion to approve the agenda, 2016, second by Director Schneider.

   Ayes: Rosales, Schneider, Guitron, Gutierrez, Garcia
   Noes: None
   Absent: Patel, Paz, Kuhn, Belk
   Abstain: None

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3. **Public Statements**

There were no public statements.

4. **Presentations**

There were no presentations.

5. **Consent Calendar**

Director Garcia made the motion to approve the Consent Calendar, second by Director Schneider.

Ayes: Rosales, Schneider, Guitron, Gutierrez, Garcia  
Noes: None  
Absent: Patel, Paz, Kuhn, Belk  
Abstain: None

6. **Consent Items Held Over:**

No Consent Items were held over.

7. **Action Items:**

a. **Nomination and Election of Officers**

The board nomination and elected the following slate of officers for the 2017 calendar year.

- President – John Henry Garcia  
- Vice President – Ernesto Rosales  
- Treasurer – Jason Schneider  
- Secretary – Benjamin Guitron

Ayes: Rosales, Schneider, Guitron, Gutierrez, Garcia  
Noes: None  
Absent: Patel, Paz, Kuhn, Belk  
Abstain: None

b. **Draft 2017 Strategic Plan**

The board reviewed the Draft 2017 Strategic Plan and assigned an ad hoc committee to develop the plan more completely. The ad hoc committee consists of the immediate Past President Kuhn, President Garcia, Treasurer Schneider, and Director Gutierrez.
c. Standing Committees

Director Garcia made the motion to continued this item date uncertain to allow for the completion of the 2017 Strategic Plan which outlines alternative committees to those existing, second by Director Guitron.

Ayes: Rosales, Schneider, Guitron, Gutierrez, Garcia  
Noes: None  
Absent: Patel, Paz, Kuhn, Belk  
Abstain: None

d. 2017 Board Meeting Calendar

Director Guitron made the motion to approve the Meeting Calendar, second by Director Garcia.

Ayes: Rosales, Schneider, Guitron, Gutierrez, Garcia  
Noes: None  
Absent: Patel, Paz, Kuhn, Belk  
Abstain: None


After review and discussion of the year end audit of the financial statements Director Gutierrez made the motion to accept the Independent Auditors Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016. Second by Treasurer Schneider.

Ayes: Rosales, Schneider, Guitron, Gutierrez, Garcia  
Noes: None  
Absent: Patel, Paz, Kuhn, Belk  
Abstain: None

f. Consideration of Membership in the National Association of Park Foundations

After consideration Director Garcia made the motion to join the National Association of Park Foundations for one year and reevaluate before continuing membership. Second by Vice President Rosales.

Ayes: Rosales, Schneider, Guitron, Gutierrez, Garcia  
Noes: None  
Absent: Patel, Paz, Kuhn, Belk  
Abstain: None
g. **Acceptance of Resignation of Director Belk**

Director Guitron made the motion to accept Secretary Belk’s, March 20, 2017, letter of resignation. Second by Director Gutierrez.

Ayes: Rosales, Schneider, Guitron, Gutierrez, Garcia
Noes: None
Absent: Patel, Paz, Kuhn, Belk
Abstain: None

h. **Recruitment and Selection Criteria**

The board reviewed the selection process and discussed potential recruitment targets. The board identified a need to recruit from the agriculture and tribal communities. Director Schneider volunteered to reach out to the tribal community to determine an appropriate candidate. No formal action was taken.

8. **Updates and General Information:**

a. Skogen reported on the activities of the First Tee of Coachella Valley and coming events.
b. Communications Committee – None
c. Event Committee – None
d. Finance Committee – None
e. First Tee Board of Directors minutes were provided for review.

9. **Board Comments/Request for Agenda Items**

None

10. **Adjournment:**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for 5:30pm on June 1, 2017 at the corporate offices at 45-305 Oasis Street, Indio, CA.

Respectfully submitted:

Benjamin Guitron, Secretary of the Board

John Henry Garcia, President of the Board