

**Date:        October 16, 2020 - Meeting Minutes**

**Time:        10:00a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

**Location:    Zoom**

**Present:** David Flaig, Scott Grimes, Nancy Biekarck, Becky Wegner, Neal Bamesberger, Chuck Gehringer, Allison Steere, Luke Killoran, Micaela Truslove, Bryon McCoy, Vince Urbina, Gertie Grant, Karen Duez, Karen Scopel, Dan Odell, Adam Moore, Donna Davis, Kyle Sylvester

1. Meeting call to order and introductions – Dave Flaig
2. Acceptance of 7/10/2020 Meeting Minutes (*Attached*)Becky

Karen Scopel moved to approve, 2nd Chuck Gehringer

3. Acceptance of Treasurer Report (*Attached*)– Scott Grimes

We are doing better than expected. Gertie asked about a small discrepancy in the profit from TAC. Scott will check into it. Gertie Grant moved to approve, 2nd Karen Scopel

1. Old Business
2. Investment of Funds with Waddell & Reed- Dave – Waddell and Reed currently $104,266 and Lord and Abbott currently $70,822. Our growth has been enough to fund our community grants.
3. Google.drive & Google.doc- Donna Davis – Shared site. If you have Gmail, you can edit as Google.doc.

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1RVzKNaFGfXwjBmHZo6FPCPtioszVbQsW?usp=sharing>

5. New Business

1. New CSFS Urban Forestry Coordinator-Vince Urbina – interviews are done & ranked. Check references. In process.
2. Executive Committee Elections-Dave – Moved by Karen S & Seconded by Scott G. Nominations for Executive Committee approved.

FRUFC Representatives –

**Chuck Gehringer-2021**

**Allison Steere-2021**

**Nancy Biekarck-2021**

**Luke Killoran-2022**

**Bryan McCoy-2022**

**Micaela Truslove-2022**

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| **Executive Committee**  *2021 Officers* | |
| **Member Name** | **Committee Position** |
| **Neal Bamesberger** | **President** |
| **Nancy Biekarck** | **Vice President** |
| **Becky Wegner** | **Secretary** |
| **David Flaig** | **Treasurer** |
| **Allison Serafin Steere** | **At-Large** |
| **Luke Killoran** | **At-Large** |
| **TBD** | **Executive Admin.** |

1. Funding
   1. New Federal $-Vince – LSR EAB Grant $60,000 available to replace ash trees in

the LSR EAB polygon only. 50/50 grant. Recommend $20,000/year for the grant.

* 1. CSFS – CO TreeView – Donna – 15 new approvals this year; 105 Organizations.
  2. Trees Across Colorado – Gertie Grant
  3. ReForest Colorado/Colorado Tree Trust – Scott & Donna

Reforesting for Akron and Haxton 2020 for 2021 planting. Approved by Executive Committee $4470.00. Linda Langelo made application.

* 1. Membership – Karen Duez
  2. Merchandise – Dave & Karen Duez

1. Grants
   * 1. CTC Small Grants –Vince – Monte Vista Schools & Louisville turned back money.
     2. Xcel Energy Grants – Vince – 2 Xcel grants both funded & paid (Scott).
     3. Xcel Foundation Grants-Vince will be working on and will ask for extension for the Louisville money not used.
2. Education and Outreach Programs
   1. Champion Tree – Neal Bamesberger – no report
   2. Arbor Day Poster Contest – Kyle Sylvester – Poster Winner 8 submittals right at COVID. Kyle’s son entered. He did not win, but his poster is hanging in Kyle’s office. Colorado 2020 Winner was Kayla Romer a fifth grader from Creativity Challenge Community (C3), Denver. ArborScape didn’t sponsor the $500 because we didn’t really need it. 2021 will go out in November or so.
   3. Tree Collections –Kyle - $2000 endeavor. Sponsorships would be beneficial. Did put in 20 new Champion Trees from Boulder. Mike McGill stepping down from committee. Scott G. nurseries had a good year – maybe sponsorship.
   4. Select Tree Evaluation –Kendra Boot – Baldcypress
   5. Tree Finder App – Kyle

9. Communications

1. Website- Micaela & Luke – Website (new, safe and easy to update) will be moved over to new CTC Website (hosted by Square Space) November 13, 14, 15. CTC Grant applications can be put on old website in the interim. Scott G. education and partners pieces – will these be archived and partner links still good? Michaela yes – archived & links should carry over. David phone & email on website okay. Luke requested photos and feedback; “what are we missing”

Karen Duez will facilitate memberships and purchasing directly through Paypal. She can be the contact for these. Michaela will work directly with Karen to get membership page up and working.

1. Social Media – Kyle Sylvester/Karen Duez – 800 likes. Membership drive – maybe talk to Luke about it.
2. Training
3. Front Range Urban Forestry Council – Dave Flaig – Nov 12th.
4. Tree Risk Assessment – Bill Cassel – no report.
5. EPIC/EAB –Vince – after FC & Arvada, no more new ones.
6. ECCFC/WCCFC – Donna/ Vince – CCFC Nov 5th.
7. Other Workshops
   1. NOCO Pest Group – Plant Health Care Workshop – June 2021 virtual or other.
8. Other Business
   1. Budget Requests, Revenues to Scott Grimes.

Next Meeting(s):

January 8, 2021.

Good of the Order –

A Little Congratulations Card for David w/pictures

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1. Adjourn a little after 11:30 am.