

FBLA/PBL ARIZONA, INC.

Board of Trustees Minutes

March 30, 2019

OPENING: The meeting was called to order by Debbie Cross at 9:02 a.m. Members introduced themselves to each other.

PRESENT: Debbie Cross, Julie Ellis, Elena Sobampo, Karen Klein, Gregg Pelka, Efrain Filerio, Chanel Dudoit, Joe Jacobson, Jane Dobbs, Laurie Urich, Mike Manion, Jamie Perez, Tirso Tonche, Donald Sheldon, Robert Waller.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Acceptance moved by Jamie Perez; passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Board member sponsorship: Members finished contributing as able. New member, Laurie Urich, introduced. Resignations: Brenda Maynard, Bennie Carlos.

REPORTS/NEW BUSINESS

PBL: Mike Manion reported a small increase. Grand Canyon University (GCU)- new chapter. University of Arizona (UA) coming soon. A continued growth discussion was held with Gateway Community College/YearUp as possibilities. It was also recommended to publicize PBL chapters in State FBLA program to encourage students to seek out PBL as they continue their educations.

FBLA: Julie Ellis reported that Arizona was one of five states to show an increase in membership. She reminded members to like and follow FBLA National on social media. The co-curricular membership attributed to the increase. The success of Arizona's participation in BAA's led to Arizona finishing second in the nation. The growth of middle school chapters was highlighted, and an appeal was put out for judges for the state competition in Tucson. The professional division being put back in at the national level was discussed.

Professional Division: Debbie Cross highlighted the success of the scholarship program and thanked members for participating. Debbie's and Julie's collaboration has built opportunities for more participation for those interested on all levels, rewarded students, and expanded the public's image of FBLA/PBL.

Sponsorship/Scholarship Update: \$7,422 total so far and still growing. Contributions by Apex, Canyon State, Joe Jacobson, and Debbie Cross were highlighted. The opportunity for recognition at the closing ceremony has grown participation. Offering more scholarships in the future was discussed with ideas for sources generated as well as ideas for focusing on career paths being discussed. Ideas should be passed along to Julie. Arizona Business Educators were thanked for their support.

FBLA Year Highlights: Jaime Perez reported that the videos being done by State Officers on social media have been well received and should be continued as well as expanded. It was recommended that identification needs to be established to give credit where due and avoid misuse as well as LinkedIn. Five new middle level chapters chartered.

PBL Year Highlights: Preparing for state competition in Prescott, working with California to encourage enrollment in AZ colleges, community service, updating PBL website, and establishment of virtual chapters were featured by Tirso Tonche.

Community Service Project for 2019/2020: Local community-based diaper drive (Crisis AZ and Helping Hands) has increased engagement and interest of members across Arizona. It was agreed the diaper drive be continued into the next year with events throughout the months. Ideas for expansion were generated.

Board Terms, etc.: A treasurer and a chair elect are needed. Julie will continue to sit on the board along with the new state FBLA advisor when hired. Elena Sobampo moved, and Efrain Filerio seconded that the board pay all expenses for the new state advisor to attend 2019 FBLA Nationals in San Antonio. Motion passed. Please support Elena Sobampo for Western Region Advisor.

Approval of Check Writing for State Winners: Don Sheldon moved, and Jaime Perez seconded that Debbie Cross be allowed to receive and write checks from Tri Leadership to be distributed to the winners at the closing session of State FBLA. Motion approved.

Adjournment: 12:39 pm