

THE ARNOLD ANGELS  
BOARD MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2024

ATTENDANCE: Tess Leary, Casey Valverde, Julia Prehm, Teri Reece, Beth Lemon, Sandy Becker, Maureen Chassy

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting commenced at 2:04pm at Sequoia Woods CC.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MEETING 7/9/24: Moved and seconded, approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Kayleen was absent due to illness.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

\* A donation of \$200 was received f/Sharon Hampton in memory of James Walter Evans. Julia to send Thank You letter. (Completed 9/16/24)

\* No Ironstone representative responded to Tess' inquiry of the possibility of future fund raising events to be held at Ironstone.

\* On August 1st Scott Nicotero, Principal of Avery Middle School (via email) requested to attend our next board meeting to share the results of their 6th grade Mask Night and to thank AA for the generous donation supporting this event. It was decided to instead invite Scott to our Annual Luncheon. Tess will respond to Scott with this invitation.

SIP & PAINT: Teri will reach out to Kayleen for update. If this event does NOT look feasible, the board will consider substituting a NO BAKE fundraising.

BY-LAWS REVISION: Lisa was absent, this update held over to next meeting.

BRET HARTE HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP: Sandy provided update. A 'Local Scholarship Donor Form' was shared with various questions requiring board approved answers. The name Arnold Angels Scholarship Fund is the formal name of this scholarship with Sandy Becker being the 'donor' contact. An amount of \$500 was approved for this year's scholarship for only ONE recipient. A 2.0 GPA is required, but no specific Course of Study/Career Path. An additional criteria of being a child under the Foster Care system was added to win this scholarship. (After this board meeting adjourned, Julia and Sandy had further discussion on the requirements for this scholarship. Earlier minutes indicated it was to be for a "college bound" student. Clarity could not be determined and Julia and Sandy decided to table this item to the next meeting for further discussion of the board.)

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON:

\* Maureen reported on her progress with the Foster Child contact: Maureen provided the date of which we needed the 'gift' requests and the contact indicated this was a date which could be met.

\* Teri will create a Volunteer List for 'cold calling' donation requests. Teri has knowledge of folks who have contacts in the various wineries, tasting shops, grocery stores, et cetera.

\* Casey requested a mass email on/about October 1st. Info on donation items needed—baskets f/raffle, silent auction, et cetera—will be included. Casey and Beth will be identified as contacts f/questions. Casey will provide specific information to be included in this email.

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\* Discussion of a Super Special Silent Auction item was held. A three-night stay at an AA member's vacation rental could generate a large donation. A hosted dinner in an AA member's home was also suggested. 'Gently' used sports equipment & artwork were also mentioned.

NEW BUSINESS: Julia brought to board's attention that when 'Googling' Arnold Angels to obtain our mailing address, she was directed to a 'GoFundMe' page.

"You're supporting **Arnold's Angels**  
Your donation will benefit Arnold Salas"

Julia felt someone wanting to donate to AA could easily be misled if not paying particular attention to this GoFundMe page wording. The board determined that nothing could be done to change/alter this page.

The meeting adjourned at 3:58pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Julia Prehm, Secretary