



ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE BELLA VISTA
FOUNDATION
2013

The second year's efforts of the Foundation centered on making the Foundation known to the community. To meet this goal the following actions were taken:

- A. Development of internal informational material & enhancing Structure of the Board of Directors.
1. Development of a Foundation web-site. This was a first effort to showcase the Foundation's: Mission; How to donate; How to apply for grants; Board of Directors; and How to contact on-line, through Email, and mail.
 2. Development of a Bella Vista Foundation Brochure. The Brochure contained information about the Foundation stressing the goal of Enhancing the Community and Partnering for the Future. These were placed throughout the community in target areas to gain the most visibility.
 3. Added the heads of the three official & unofficial governing entities of the community as ex-officio members to the Board of Directors. This was done to assure all planning efforts were integrated and represented community wide efforts without duplication.

B. Working with Community Projects to gain and develop additional visibility and partnerships within the community.

1. Hay Days-A first time community wide event which was scheduled for two days highlighting the "good old days." The event included: bands; bingo; hotdogs; games for children; dog races; and many other activities. The Foundation played a significant role in facilitating the funding of the activities. While this provided the Foundation some visibility it was not as much as the Board had anticipated. This should be enhanced next year by integrating the Foundation throughout the planning of the event instead of coming in later in the planning process. A lot was learned to make this effort more seamless. Final project and compliance of funding reports were submitted by Hay Days and approved by the Board
2. The Golf Ambassadors Program finished its proposed activity under the grant. Its goals have been slow in taking off but a solid foundation has been developed to accomplish the goals. Final project report and compliance of funding reports were submitted and approved by the Board.

C. Land Donation

1. Based on researching the web-site a family donated a buildable lot to the Foundation. This provided the Foundation an opportunity to learn about property transfers: obtaining clear title to property; property assessment; tax laws; POA assessment & property transfer fees among others.
2. The Board is in the beginning process of selling the property. The total experience & outcome of the property sale will help the Board to assess for the future if this is a role for the Foundation.

Financial Review

The Board had a financial review completed for 2012. The review gave a clean finding of the Foundations accountability of funds and record keeping.

Board of Directors changes

Early in the year President Bill Johnson left the Bella Vista community to relocate near Kansas City. Vice-Pres. Roberta Dale took on the presidential duties for the balance of the year while searching for additional directors. The Board requires a minimum of 5 directors and a maximum of 7. Subsequently, 2 new directors, Pat Kunnecke and Jayne Lowe were elected to the Board.

Summary

The Board has met its initial goals to begin to get the Foundation recognized in the community. However there is a lot of work that needs to be done over the next year to take this to a different level. There have been some preliminary discussions on projects that could benefit the community as well as provide a primary role for the Foundation. Next year the Board will focus on developing its Business plan and discussions with community groups.

Revenues and expenditures are shown in the Financial Report for 2013.

Respectfully Submitted

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