

MINUTES
THORNTON VETERANS' MEMORIAL FOUNDATION
March 5, 2007

Attendees:	Tony Hake	Linda Wisniewski
	Tami William	Greg Banks
	Jim Branaugh	Char Branaugh
	Martin Wisniewski	Richard Aguilar
	Kathy Grossman	Bobby Heller
	Eva Henry	

Jenn from the Texas Roadhouse came by to explain the fundraiser further and passed out some samples.

1. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Minutes were read and accepted with corrections.
3. Membership Report
 - a. This meeting is counting as our annual membership meeting
 - b. Richard Aguilar has returned to the group.
4. Treasurers Report
 - a. As of today we have \$1639.78 in the checking (operating) account. This is not including the check from Wal-Mart
 - b. As of today we have \$1900.22 in the savings (construction) account.
 - c. We have sold 12 bricks so far
5. Community Relations
 - a. There was an article in the HUB and the Sentinel about the Memorial Foundation receiving the \$1000.00 from Wal-Mart.
 - b. There will be a press release coming out announcing the partnership between the Veteran's Memorial Foundation and Legislative Steering Committee that includes Lois Tochtrop, Judy Solano, Ed Casso and John Soper, Mike Coffman
6. Web Site
 - a. There are PowerPoint presentations available now on the website that we can burn onto a CD for any presentations we do.
7. Design Committee
 - a. Greg is waiting on word from the city on some final details on the site.
 - b. We need to get back in touch with SI Veterans Memorial. Greg will email him to set up a meeting.
8. Fund Raising Committee
 - a. On February 16th Jim Branaugh Greg Banks and Bobby Heller accepted a grant from Wal-Mart in the amount of \$1000.00.
 - b. Kathy Grossman brought the application for Jim Branaugh so we can sell bricks at the Wal-Mart doors. Kathy Grossman is looking at April or May. Kathy also gave us more details on the carwash.

- c. We have 7 dates scheduled for the Texas Road House Dinners. This is the 104th and Grant site. March 13th, April 10th, May 8th are for sure dates. It is the 2nd Tuesday of the month. If the first 3 dates don't do very well Texas Road House will look into changing the days. We will receive 10% of the bill on the people that bring the flyers in. We will be able to sell bricks during our dates. We will need workers to be there to help with the selling of the bricks. We will be allowed to put table tents on all tables advertising the Foundation.
 - d. We have car washes lined up at Wal-Mart. May 12th, June 16th, and August 25th. We need to set times, and we need workers. We are working on getting High School students and Boy Scouts to help us out. We will also talk to the local recruiters. We can only have 15 workers at a time. They can work in shifts. We will have signs made also. There will be PA announcements made in the store.
 - e. Jim Branaugh brought a \$1000.00 check in from a friend in his brother's names. He also brought in a check for \$250.00 from the Merritt Hutton Class of 1961 in the name of all Veterans from the Merit Hutton School.
9. Old Business
- a. Senator Tochtrop is following up with the resolution for the use of GOCO funds. Tony Hake has read a copy of it. She will forward the signing date to us. There will be a ceremony on the capital steps.
 - b. We should look into doing a presentation at the local town hall meetings.
 - c. Ward IV meeting was well attended. A lot of questions were asked and the presentation was well received. Jim Branaugh asked Chief Nursey if we could present to the Police Department.
 - d. We need to get moving on the agreement with the city. It is in process.
 - e. The location of our sign will be on 108th where it ends at the park. It will have a small vicinity map on it along with Future Site of the Veteran's Memorial.
10. New Business
- a. Tami William will ask Kimble's trophy about the cost of different trophies. We still need to work on the donation matrix so we know what we are going to give to all of our donators.
 - b. Ward II is having a ward meeting in April; we will discuss details next meeting.
 - c. Tony Hake made an update presentation for City Council, just keeping them appraised of where we are in the project.
 - d. Melissa McDonald decided not to stay on with the project. We are going to continue to look for a professional fund-raiser. We are going to also look into a professional grant writer.
11. The next meeting is scheduled for April 2, 2007 at 7:00 PM.
12. Motion was made that the meeting be closed, motion was seconded and moved.

Respectfully submitted

Linda Wisniewski
Secretary