

Space Frontier Foundation Board Meeting Minutes – June 12, 2002

Present:

- Bob Noteboom, Chairman of the Board
- Brook Mantia, Secretary
- Tony DeTora, Board Member
- James George, Development Director
- Bill Boland, Board Member
- Rick Tumlinson, Board Member & President
- Denise Norris, Board Member
- Shubber Ali, Board Member

Absent:

- Bob Hillhouse, Treasurer
- Libby Workman, Advocate Coordinator

❑ **Call Meeting to Order – 7:04pmPT/10:04pmET**

❑ **Approval of Minutes**

- Motion to accept the May 1st Board Meeting Minutes was approved.

❑ **Discussion on Foundation Leadership**

Rick Tumlinson expressed his intention to resign as President and from the Board of Directors. He also expressed his support for a proposal that had been discussed among the Directors to eliminate the position of President entirely.

There was a discussion about the legalities of eliminating the President position, and it was recommended to research that before making a decision. If there is no legal requirement, then everyone agrees with spirit of the motion.

Bob Noteboom reminded the remaining Directors it needs to step up to the commitments it made to the Advocates when they were elected.

Tony DeTora made a motion to prepare a letter thanking Rick for his years of hard work and service, and to send it out to the Advocates within 48 hrs of receiving his written resignation. The motion was approved.

It was also suggested that something be posted to the website.

❑ **Review of Fundraising Efforts**

There is still considerable work to do around fund-raising. James George is getting mentoring from the woman at Chabot Space & Science Center who is responsible for their corporate sponsorships. James George will coordinate a dedicated meeting to map out a donor plan.

❑ **Items for Advocates Update**

Mr. Tumlinson's resignation will be the only item addresses so as not to dilute the message.

❑ **Gala Account Receivables (Slivka and DMS)**

Need to have telecon with James George to wrap up loose ends. Shubber Ali will participate to advise on collection strategies.

❑ **RTM 4 Conference Plans and Activities**

The symposium program will be held Thursday afternoon through Saturday morning, with a banquet being planned for Friday night featuring the new Apollo 11 DVD from Apogee Books. The main speaker will be William Burroughs, author of “This New Ocean.” There are less than 2 dozen people registered right now. Steve Durst is sponsoring \$1800, Celestis \$1000. John Hanks is doing PR.

❑ **SFC 11 Conference Plans and Activities**

Bill Boland sent a summary and budget to the individual Directors this evening. Mr. Boland needs help building an invitation database. A minimum of information about SFC11 should be posted on the Foundation website.

❑ **Committee Reports**

• Message and Policy Committee – Tony DeTora

There is turning out to be two opposing camps in terms of what the Foundation’s approach to policies should be. One side favors having as few policies as possible, which are very general, to allow the greatest flexibility of interpretation. The other favors have many, explicitly detailed policies for the sake of clarity. Mr. DeTora asked the Board to think about these options, and be prepared to discuss at some point how to pursue policy. A decision will probably be delayed until after SFC11.

• Finance Committee – Bob Noteboom

Bob Werb will be replacing Bob Hillhouse as Treasurer so Mr. Hillhouse can devote himself to the Space Enterprise project.

• Operations Committee – Denise Norris

Nothing to report.

• Events/Projects Committee – Bill Boland

Bill Boland acknowledged James George and Bob Hillhouse for the Space Enterprise event held recently.

• Marketing Committee – Bob Noteboom

On hold.

• Member Services Committee – Bob Noteboom

On hold.

❑ **Date for Next Board Meeting – June 25 6pmPT/9pmET**

❑ **Adjourn 8:44pmPT/11:44pmET**
