



## MINUTES

### SCI FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS Arlington, VA May 4, 2016

#### I. Establishment of a Quorum

President Joe Hosmer established that a quorum was present. The following individuals were in attendance:

#### SCI Foundation Board – Officers and Directors

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| Joe Hosmer       | President                          |
| Roman DeVille    | Vice President                     |
| J. Alain Smith   | Corporate Secretary <i>absent</i>  |
| Warren Sackman   | Corporate Treasurer                |
| Dennis Anderson  | Director <i>via teleconference</i> |
| Paul Babaz       | Director                           |
| Ralph Cunningham | Director <i>absent</i>             |
| Don Harter       | Director                           |
| Craig Kauffman   | Director                           |
| Ricardo Longoria | Director <i>absent</i>             |
| John McLaurin    | Director                           |
| Brook Minx       | Director                           |
| Mike Rogers, Sr. | Director                           |
| Steve Skold      | Director                           |
| Buck Woodruff    | Director <i>absent</i>             |

#### SCI Foundation Advisory Board

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| Nancy Addison  | Member                           |
| Diane Roederer | Member                           |
| Sandra Sadler  | Member <i>via teleconference</i> |

#### Advisors

|                 |                   |
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| Kendis Muscheid | Corporate Counsel |
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#### Guests

|                  |   |
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| Herb Atkinson    |   |
| Jackie Bartels   | Co-Chair, Humanitarian Services Committee |
| Ron Bartels      | Co-Chair, Humanitarian Services Committee |
| Alma Bing        |   |
| Stony Bing       |   |
| Don Detwiler     |   |
| Amy Drewnowski   |   |
| Mike Drewnowski  |   |
| Gary A. Gearhart |   |
| Don Giottonini   |   |
| Eddie Grasser    | Vice President, SCI                       |

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| Jim Hammill        |                              |
| Larry B. Higgins   | President, SCI               |
| Veronica M. Kosich | Sables President             |
| Ron Lanford        |                              |
| Michael J. Leonard |                              |
| Sherry Maddox      | Vice President, SCI          |
| Lee D. Murray      | Vice Chair, Museum Committee |
| Richard B. Nilsen  |                              |
| Rick Parsons       | Parliamentarian, SCI         |
| David Sanderson    |                              |
| Sue Skold          |                              |
| Scott Swasey       |                              |
| Mary Lynn West     |                              |

**Staff**

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| Bob Benson          | Executive Director, SCI Foundation            |
| Nathan Bolt         | Director of Finance                           |
| Kimberly Byers      | Development Coordinator                       |
| Stephanie Carabeo   | Executive Assistant, SCI Foundation           |
| Phil DeLone         | CEO, SCI                                      |
| Matt Eckert         | Director of Conservation                      |
| Sue Hankner         | Director of Education & Humanitarian Services |
| Nita Mackley        | Director of Member & Chapter Services         |
| Michael Roqueni     | Director of Membership Development            |
| Michelle Tacconelli | Conservation Programs & Research Coordinator  |
| Dennis Treadwell    | Marketing & Communications Specialist         |

**II. Call to Order**

President Joe Hosmer called the SCI Foundation Board of Directors Meeting to order at 1:05 pm Eastern Time.

**III. Approval of the Minutes**

It was moved by Brook Minx to approve the April 8-9, 2016 Minutes. The motion was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

**IV. Request for Additions to the Agenda**

The following items were added to the agenda:

- XI. Old Business, C. Update on Intellectual Property
- XII. New Business, D. Review HLF Spending Policy

**V. Approval of the Agenda and Motion to Allow the Chair to take Agenda Items Out of Sequence**

It was moved by Mike Rogers, Sr. to approve the agenda as submitted and to take agenda items out of sequence. The motion was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

**VI. President's Remarks**

Joe Hosmer did not have any remarks as he will have a formal presentation later on the agenda.

## **VII. Treasurer's Report**

It was moved by Mike Rogers, Sr. to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. The motion was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

## **VIII. Executive Director's Report**

Bob Benson gave brief remarks. He referred to the SCI Foundation report in the packet before giving an update on the recent strategic planning process, upcoming performance management reviews, and his recent trip to BSA's Philmont Scout Ranch for the shooting complex dedication.

## **IX. Committee Reports**

### **A. Audit**

Craig Kauffman referred to the report in the packet.

### **B. Bylaws**

Roman DeVille gave an update on the recent amendments to the Bylaws of SCI Foundation.

### **C. Conservation**

Alan Maki gave an update on the conservation highlights to include the wood bison population in Alaska, the Michigan Predator-Prey Project, and the latest fighting for lions report.

### **D. Education Sables**

Veronica Kosich gave an update on the AWLS Endowment Task Force, AWLS Cabin Renovation Project Task Force, and the AWLS Ask that will take place during SCI's Board Meeting on Saturday. Sue Hankner gave an update on partnerships, scholarships, and upcoming ads for AWLS. She introduced Dan Brooks as the newest member of the department. He provided background information about himself and gave an update on the projects he is working on with the Boy Scouts of America.

### **E. Finance & Investment**

Warren Sackman reported that two representatives from Morgan Stanley attended the recent meeting in North Carolina to provide the Board with an update on the investment account.

### **F. Humanitarian Services**

Ron Bartels reported that there is a committee meeting scheduled this week. The committee has been working on soliciting an auction item for the Pathfinder Award and have finalized and adopted their goals for the upcoming year. He gave an update on the Blue Bag program. Trijicon is committed to, once again, sponsor the Veterans Breakfast. The location of the Sensory Safari Trailer at the convention made it difficult to find and he hopes that next year it will be in a more ideal location to increase attendance.

### **G. Museum**

Steve Skold gave a brief update. Sue Hankner is working on the business plan which will be ready for the Board's review by July 1<sup>st</sup>. A meeting is scheduled next week to look at the physical layout and exhibits and to begin redrawing the

changes that need to be made. The museum hours of operation may be changing in the near future.

## **H. National & International Fundraising**

Bob Benson gave an update on the direct mail appeal and the importance of planned giving.

## **I. Nominating**

Mike Rogers, Sr. requested it be noted for the record that he is the father of Mike Rogers, Jr. who owns a video business, he has no financial interest in his son's business, he has no ownership of his son's business, nor does he receive any remuneration from his son's business. He has no conflict of interest but would like his declaration included in the minutes for posterity.

### **1. Election of SCIF Directors for Two-Year Terms**

The Nominating Committee proposed Alain Smith, Buck Woodruff, Warren Sackman, and Sandra Sadler to be elected as SCIF Directors for two-year terms effective July 1, 2016. The Board unanimously approved to accept the nominations as presented.

### **2. Election of SCIF President for Two-Year Term**

The Nominating Committee proposed Warren Sackman for SCIF President for a two-year term effective July 1, 2016. The Board unanimously approved to accept the nomination as presented.

### **3. Election of SCIF Vice President for Two-Year Term**

The Nominating Committee proposed Alain Smith for SCIF Vice President for a two-year term effective July 1, 2016. The Board unanimously approved to accept the nomination as presented.

### **4. Election of Secretary for Two-Year Term**

The Nominating Committee proposed Craig Kauffman for SCIF Secretary for a two-year term effective July 1, 2016. The Board unanimously approved to accept the nomination as presented.

### **5. Election of Treasurer for Two-Year Term**

The Nominating Committee proposed Ralph Cunningham for SCIF Treasurer for a two-year term effective July 1, 2016. The Board unanimously approved to accept the nomination as presented.

### **6. Appointment of SCIF Advisory Board Members for Two-Year Terms**

The Nominating Committee proposed Nancy Addison, John Banovich, Deb Cunningham, Byron Sadler, Jon T. Lee, Mike Rogers, Sr., and Joe Hosmer for two-year terms effective July 1, 2016. The Board unanimously approved to accept the nominations as presented.

### **7. 2016/2017 Standing Committee Chair Appointments**

It was moved to accept the following appointments as presented by President Hosmer. The motion was unanimously approved.

**a) Audit – Craig Kauffman, Chair**

- b) **Bylaws** – The Bylaws Committee Chair will appoint its members.
- c) **Conservation** – Alan Maki, Chair
- d) **Education Sables** – Veronica Kosich, Chair
- e) **Finance & Investment** – Ralph Cunningham, Chair
- f) **Humanitarian Services** – Ron & Jackie Bartels, Co-Chairs
- g) **Museum** – Steve Skold, Chair
- h) **National & International Fundraising** – Larry Katz, Chair
- i) **Nominating** - TBD
- j) **Public Relations & Marketing** - TBD
- k) **Four EC Recommendations** – This will occur after SCI's elections.
- l) **SCIF CITES** – Alan Maki, SCIF Chair

**J. Public Relations & Marketing**

Dennis Treadwell gave an update on the Foundation's website, e-newsletter, and social media. He provided specific metrics for the website, blogs, and Facebook and Twitter accounts. The circulation of press releases has increased due to our partnership with Howard Communications. He provided information about the Hunters Conserve Wildlife debate scheduled for this evening.

**X. Task Force Reports**

**A. Beretta Event**

Paul Babaz gave an update on this year's event which had 400+ attendees. He provided the details for next year's event and referred to the save the date flyer in the packet. Bob Benson stated that there will be a committee meeting on Friday morning to discuss the theme and entertainment options for next year. The committee will focus on growing the event with additional attendees and sponsorships.

**B. Boy Scouts of America**

Bob Benson gave an update on his recent trip to BSA's Philmont Scout Ranch and shared photos of the event.

**C. Museum Development/SCIF Real Estate**

Steve Skold referred to the report in the packet. He stated that the first conference call with the joint task force will take place next week. Joe Hosmer thanked Roman DeVille for obtaining updated appraisals at no cost for the properties located in Jackson Hole, WY, Washington, DC and Tucson, AZ.

**D. Strategic Planning**

Bob Benson reported that the strategic plan was updated at the recent meeting in North Carolina.

It was moved by Brook Minx to accept the strategic plan as presented. The motion was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

**E. SCI/SCIF MOU**

Warren Sackman reported that the first meeting between SCI and SCI Foundation is tomorrow evening.

**XI. Old Business**

**A. Prezi Presentation – Review of the Last 6 Years**

Joe Hosmer presented an overview of the last six years, since the realignment of SCI Foundation.

**B. AWLS Endowment and Spending Policy**

It was moved by Mike Rogers, Sr. to approve the AWLS Endowment Fund. The motion was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

After a lengthy discussion about the draft of the AWLS Endowment spending policy, it was the will of the Board to have consistent spending policies for the AWLS Endowment Fund, Hunter Legacy Fund, and First for Wildlife Endowment.

**C. Update on Intellectual Property**

Kendis Muscheid gave an update on the intellectual property issues with Houston Safari Club and Dallas Safari Club. She noted that the HLF marks have been filed. At this time, nothing has been filed for the lion and shield.

**XII. New Business**

**A. Signature Authority for Todd Roggenkamp**

Nathan Bolt stated that Todd Roggenkamp needs to be able to write checks at AWLS and will need to be added as a signer on the AWLS checking account.

The Board unanimously approved Todd Roggenkamp to have signature authority on the AWLS checking account.

**B. Dream Hunt V Disbursement Plan**

Mary Lynn West stated that the committee has approved how the money will be spent and provided the details of the disbursement plan.

The Board unanimously approved to accept the committee's recommendation as presented.

**C. Project ChildSafe**

Sue Hankner provided information on the benefits of partnering with Project ChildSafe and shared that there is no cost to SCI Foundation.

It was moved by Brook Minx to partner with Project ChildSafe. The motion was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

**D. Review HLF Spending Policy**

Kendis Muscheid provided information on the policy and responded to questions from the Board.

It was moved by Paul Babaz to approve the HLF spending policy as presented. The motion was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

**XIII. Travel for the Record**

**A. Domestic**

## **B. International**

### **XIV. Executive Session**

There was no executive session during this meeting.

### **XV. Adjournment**

It was moved by Paul Babaz to adjourn the SCI Foundation Board of Directors Meeting to the call of the Chair at 4:43 pm Eastern Time. The motion was duly seconded and unanimously approved.