

# Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Entrepreneurs of Knoxville  
August 14th, 2009 8:55 a.m.  
155 Sherway Dr., Suite 4, Knoxville, TN 37922

## Board Members:

Present: Leonard Knight, Tommy Schmid, Scot Chrisman, Lisa Spegman, Shawn Van Dyke  
Not present: Patricia Bell, C. Zane Hagy, Jeremy Floyd, Laurel Bowen,  
Quorum present?

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## Proceedings:

Meeting called to order at 8:55 a.m. by President, Leonard Knight  
Previous meeting minutes approved as amended.

Minutes from last month approved.

## Executive Report by President, Leonard Knight

Leo discussing comments and responses from last few meetings.  
Pub Night attendance has been a bit low.  
Weekly attendance at meeting varied.  
Leo discussion about transitioning off of BOD.  
Need sponsorship/fund raising documents posted on website.

## Report from Vice President, Shawn Van Dyke

Accepting resignations of Lisa and Zane

Motion to accept Lisa's resignation from the Board, this motion was seconded and accepted.  
Motion to accept Zane's resignation from the Board, this motion was seconded and accepted.

Marty Lawson will fill-in as Director of Operations on a temporary basis.

Procedures for filling positions - in the bylaws. Nominating committee.

Discussion about hiring a Director and a Secretary - establish a budget for these positions.

End of September for establishing a budget and the 1023 paperwork complete.

Update on Committees that have been formed - attempts to set up Welcoming committee and Operations committee

-Brian Jacobson helping with Podcast.

Discussion about meet and greet on first Wednesday of the month.

Update on Ongoing Projects - Knoxville Gigs, Spokes Marketing, Photographers Group, Real Estate Group

## **Report from Treasurer, Tommy Schmid**

No report??

## **Report from Communications, Zane Hagy**

No report.

## **Report from Fund Raising Chair, Patricia Bell**

I received an message from Rebecca Cagle with an idea for fundraising. I forwarded the message to Leo. Please discuss.

THE BOARD IS NOT INTERESTED IN DOING AFFILIATE PROGRAMS WITH EOK MEMBERS

Conflict of Interest motion (Laurel Bowen will make the motion):

The following policy is proposed to be adopted by resolution of the Board of Directors:

### **Entrepreneurs of Knoxville Conflict of Interest Statement**

for Officers, Directors, Committee members, Staff Members, and certain Consultants

No member of the Entrepreneurs of Knoxville Board of Directors, or any of its Committees, shall derive any personal profit or gain, directly or indirectly, by reason of his or her participation with Entrepreneurs of Knoxville. Each individual shall disclose to Entrepreneurs of Knoxville any personal interest which he or she may have in any matter pending before Entrepreneurs of Knoxville and shall refrain from participation in any decision on such matter.

Any member of the Entrepreneurs of Knoxville Board, any Committee or Staff who is an officer, board member, a committee member or staff member of a borrower organization or a loan applicant agency shall identify his or her affiliation with such agency or agencies; further, in connection with any credit policy committee or board action specially directed to that agency he/

she shall not participate in the decision affecting that agency and the decision must be made and/or ratified by the full board.

Any member of the Entrepreneurs of Knoxville Board, any Committee shall refrain from obtaining any list of Entrepreneurs of Knoxville clients for personal or private solicitation purposes at any time during the term of their affiliation.

MOTION MADE FOR ACCEPTING CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT. Motion carries

## **Report From Operations, Lisa Spegman**

Q: How should we reward Board Members who serve well and have to rotate off?

A: Featured speaker position to talk about how EOK helped their business grow.

Will feature Lisa at Weekly Meeting.

## **Report From Membership, Laurel Bowen**

No report.

## **Report from Training, Dr. Scot Chrisman**

Training Sessions "12 Module Business Seminar" "Meeting after the Meeting"  
Install Cameras, Audio, Permanent Recording equipment for Audio/Video Podcasting.  
Leo will buy cameras (\$750) from Steve in Spring City, TN; Scott Maentz will pickup and deliver

## **Report from Marketing, Jeremy Floyd**

Quickly reviewed Logo Submissions from Logo Contest. Will have followup meeting to finalize.

## **Unfinished Business:**

- The date for the Strategic Planning session needs to be picked. Our options are October 14, 21, or 26. Please choose the date and time. We need to choose two general members for this meeting also. Some suggestions have been: Jonathan Patrick, Steve Cobble, Marty Lawson, Crystal Stinson.

Consensus of Board Members Present and Marty Lawson is Monday, October 26th, 2009  
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

## **New Business:**

Genesis Rock is starting a charter school in Knoxville which will have a entrepreneurial focus. They would like to partner with EOK on collaborative ventures with EOK members. We are currently looking for business owners who would like to be on the school board, and we are completing our charter school application. Laurel is looking for EOK board members, or EOK members, who are interested in this venture and would like to be on the school board. I would also like to spend an hour brainstorming ideas for collaboration with any board members who are interested.

**Motion:** That Entrepreneurs of Knoxville pursue a collaborative relationship with the Danny R. Mayfield Charter School.

Motion made by Dr. Scot, Second and Passed

## **Discussion Re:**

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.  
Minutes submitted by Clerk, Shawn Van Dyke