

BBLA Donation Policy, May 14, 2016

(Specifically replaces the Donation Policy previously adopted January 24, 2015.)

Policy – Consistent with its Bylaws, BBLA makes donations to charitable or public interest organizations that benefit the community and member landowners of the Town of Bethany Beach. The Bylaws state “The purposes for which the corporation is organized are to carry on charitable, educational and civic work for the improvement of the town of Bethany Beach...”

Specifics include:

(a) “To engage in any lawful activity desirable for the improvement of Bethany Beach. “

(b) “To preserve the historical character and develop the aesthetic values of Bethany Beach.”

(e) “To engage in any lawful activity which supports, protects, or enhances the interests of members of the Association”

Criteria to be considered in Board approval of a donation:

1. How the Work of that organization links to a Specific purpose in the BBLA Bylaws.
2. Whether the work is supported by the community and other organizations in the Town of Bethany Beach.
3. The degree to which the organization’s work is done within the town limits of the Town of Bethany Beach.
4. The nature, purpose and demonstrated need of the organization for funds.
5. The, reputation, record of service and accomplishments of the organization.
6. Whether the donation will make a significant difference in the work of that organization.
7. The proportion of the organizations budget that goes to fundraising expenses.

Procedure:

Each year, the President will appoint a donations committee in the first Board meeting after the annual meeting. The committee will identify a list of recommendations for donations for Board consideration in the fall and in the spring at least 30 days prior to the annual meeting. The committee will do its due diligence related to the above criteria. The Board will determine the funds available for donations each spring, consider the committees recommended list, and approve donations by motion at that time or during the year.