# **Ellensburg School District Education Foundation**

April 2017 Annual Meeting - Wednesday, September 14, 2016 - 6:45 am - IHOP Restaurant

John MacRae (absent)

Mike McCloskey

Lowell Murphree

Noreen Norfleet

Curtis Bull

#### **Board Member Attendance:**

Michele Cawley Deborah Gauck Mary Gordon Linda Graf (absent) Maureen Rust

Guests:

Rob Moffat Staci Sleigh-Layman Eric Jackson Stephanie Jackson Jeff Ellersick Michele Timko Dan Patton Rachel Case Ammy Snow Nichol Thomas Trish Pernaa Jeff Slothower Dick Wedin Jim/Patti Gylling (absent)

Haley Naboychik Marie Vineyard Dianna Tasker

### Meeting was called to order - 6:45 am by President Mike McCloskey

### **Minutes Approval**

Deb moved and to approve the March, 2016 meeting minutes. Carried.

### Superintendent's Report

No Report

### Treasurer's Report- Dick Wedin

• Dick Wedin gave an abbreviated Treasurer's Report and answered questions related to the report. Later in the meeting Dick also discussed the Foundations insurance. Howe money comes into the foundation, is managed while in the foundation accounts and how money is expended.

### Correspondence

None.

### **Progress on Goals:**

1. *mini-grant program:* Jeff gave a report on the new mini Grant Program with an explanation of the timelines etc..

2. *Grant Writing:* Deb gave a report on the recent Grant writing program. There were 11 participants. The program covered the applicant process and prospects for grants. Deb reported that the program will be repeated annually or semiannually in the future.

3. Procedures Notebooks: Mary explained the purpose of this and that work on it is underway

4. Caring Cupboard: Mary Grave a Report on Caring cupboard explaining that requests come in from Principals, School Nurses and Counselors. The program is designed to ensure that no students (Developmental Pre K to High school) go without basic items.

### **Guest Reports:**

### • Mt Stuart Nature Study Area

 Dan and Staci reported that the district has put a hold on any improvements to the study area. Dan would like to replace the deteriorated benches at some point and is working on securing permission to do that. If he obtains permission to replace them then he will seek funding. Mercer Creek Church has done some clean ups of the area in the past.

# • Morgan Performing Arts

• Mike gave the report. The remodel of Morgan Middle School and the refurbished and improved theater is underway. Once that theater is complete then funds held by the foundation will be requested for items not covered by the remodel.

# • Mt Stuart Parent Group

Stephanie Jackson gave the report. The Parent Group has assets of \$44,000.00 with an annual budget of about \$22,000.00. They are raising funds for 30 mini iPads for the library. Some of their fund-raising activities include the wacky fun run, parent/student dinner dance. They have also sponsored the pacific science center to come to the school to present a program on space.

# • Lincoln Parent Group

 Nichol Thomas, the parent group president, gave the report. Their fundraising activities include the fun fair, spirit gear sales and tulip sales. They have had a spell-a-thon and have sponsored an author to come to the school to give a presentation.

# • Valley View PTA.

 Marie Vineyard gave the report. They developed a program called Bob Cat Buddies to develop partners for kids with disabilities. They are working with Sparrow. They have also developed "watchdogs" which puts parents in the building at various times. Some of their fundraising activities include Kinder Paint night. They have 103 m3mbers and have received the Bronze and Gold awards from the state PTA. They purchased 30 iPads for use by K through second grade students. They have brought Mark Kissler into the school for programs. They try to have a guest speaker at each PTA meeting.

## • Morgan Parent Group

• Rachel Case gave the report. They run on a small budget with about \$6,000.00 in and out each year. They have used the McTeacher night and the book fair along with a family fun night to raise funds. They have developed a student store. They continue to wait for all the students to be under one roof in the new and renovated school. Rachel reported that the parent group operations were challenging given the split campus.

## • Ellensburg Booster Club

• Ammy Snow gave the report. The booster club is rebuilding and has four new board members. They gave out \$2,500.00 in scholarships this year. They continue to sponsor coaches v cancer. They rely on winter sports program sales and donations to support club activities. They are planning tailgate parties and an all sports barbeque.

## • Senior Party

• Dianna Tasker gave the report. They have not used the gorge as much in the past for fundraising and instead are doing some alternative fundraising including a trap shoot contest and a silent auction.

## • FBLA Parent Group

• Dinna Tasker also gave the report for the FBLA parent group. 11 students are going to state on April 19. They have used a community yard sale to do some fundraising.

# • Kittitas County Early Learning Program

• Michelle gave the report. They held 18 events last year with 600 families participating. The focus has been on reading and trying to reach the high-risk families.

## **Election of Officers**

- The slate of officers for the next year was presented as follows
  - President Mike McCloskey
  - Vice President Michelle Cawley

- o Secretary Maureen Rust
- Treasurer Dick Wedin
- Mary Gordon Director term expires 2020
- Jeff moved to elect the slate of officers, Noreen seconded. The vote was unanimous

### **Election of Board Members**

- Jim and Patti Gylling and Trish Pernaa's terms expired and they have elected not to serve another term. Thanks to Jim Patti and Trish for their work on the board during their terms.
- Mary Gordon's term expired and she elected to serve another term which expires in April of 2020.
- Mike asked if any of the guests were interested in serving on the board and/or knew anyone who was interested in serving on the board.

#### **Other Business**

• None

#### Announcements

• Maureen mentioned the upcoming activities at the Brooks library including an upcoming fundraiser.

The meeting was adjourned.