

# **Ellensburg School District Education Foundation**

**Annual Board Meeting** □ **Wednesday, April 4, 2012** □ **7:00 am** □ **Bar 14**

**Board Members Present:** *Kathleen Beach, Missy Davis, Paul Farris, Mary Gordon, Patti Gylling, Jim Gylling, John MacRae, Trish Perna, Kelley Quirk, Jeff Slothower, Bob Titus, Celeste Torset, Dick Wedin*

**Board Members Not Present:** *Cathy Bambrick, Mike McCloskey*

**Guests Present:** *Jen Carkner, Hillary Huffman, Alice Jaakola, Patti Ketner, Angie Unruh*

## **Call to order**

*Meeting was called to order at 7:00 am.*

## **Introductions**

*Everyone stated their name and affiliation with the Ellensburg School District.*

## **Approval of agenda**

*Upon a motion made by Jeff Slothower and seconded by John MacRae the agenda was approved.*

## **Minutes- approval of March 2012 minutes**

*Upon a motion made by Celeste Torset and seconded by Jeff Slothower the March 2012 meeting minutes were approved.*

## **Paul Farris- Superintendent's report**

*Dick Wedin reported that the Strategic Steering Committee is forming with 17 positions. It will include one parent from each school and various hand picked community members. ESD Board members will not be on the committee. The committee will conduct 2-3 public forums to complete research and gather information regarding the options of building a new middle school or remodeling the current Morgan Middle School. The Strategic Committee will then make a recommendation to the Board for their information. The proposed date for a decision is June 15, 2012.*

*Paul Farris reported the EHS weapons incident was handled appropriately and quickly by EHS administration.*

## **Treasurer's Report- Richard**

*No report.*

## **Committee Reports**

### **1) Associate Group (Dick, Jeff, Kelley)**

#### **a) Introduction of Associates**

*Associates introduced themselves and gave an update of their group.*

#### **b) Associate updates**

##### Excellence in Education Program

*Representative, Angie Unruh*

- *The group held a fundraiser a few years ago and raised \$9,000.*
- *Mr. May, EHS & MMS Band teacher, needs a baritone saxophone which will be approximately \$4,700. The group is looking into funding this request.*

##### Morgan Parent Group

*Representative, Patti Gylling*

- *The monthly attendance has increased to about 10 people per meeting.*
- *Honors Night is coming up.*
- *8<sup>th</sup> grade party is in the planning process.*
- *Morgan Parent Group has been involved with the vacating Morgan process and thanks the Superintendent for allowing them to be part of the process.*

##### Performing Arts

*Representative, Kathleen Beach*

- *Kathleen reported that over \$60,000 was used for the Performing Arts Center a few years ago and \$1,600 is left in account.*
- *The committee may use the money for lighting in the Little Theater.*

- *The sound board, speakers, and lighting currently used in the Morgan Performing Arts area may be moved to a new facility if built.*
- *The group may disband at the end of this year with the closing of the Morgan Performing Arts area at the end of the year.*

#### FBLA

*Representative, Alice Jaakola*

- *Alice gave a brief report of what Future Business Leaders of America learn at EHS. They learn to dress in business attire, interviews with life situations and more.*
- *FBLA members went to Seattle for a competition and 32 members placed first or second.*
- *The parent group of FBLA assists with fundraisers to help the students get to competitions.*

#### EHS Booster Club

*Representative, Kelley Quirk*

- *They are currently organizing dinner meals prior to pre-season sports meetings for the parents and families of the athletes.*
- *They helped with the Coaches vs. Cancer fundraiser held in February. The funds raised will benefit a Valley View student battling cancer.*

#### EHS Band Group

*Representative, Alice Jaakola*

- *The band members are going to Disney to perform music that will lay over a Disney movie.*
- *The group is starting to fundraise for uniforms. Dick Wedin suggested that the ESDEF may be of assistance. More discussion will follow after meeting.*

#### Valley View PTA

*Representative, Hillary Huffman*

- *PTA is slowing down for the year.*
- *They are getting ready for the elections of the next Board.*

#### 2012 Senior Class Party

*Representatives, Jen Carkner & Patti Ketner*

- *The group may help provide funds for the Senior Excursion since building funds are tighter.*
- *The party will be held at CWU again.*
- *The old decorations will be used to help cut costs.*
- *Parents and volunteers will be at the Gorge again selling concessions. This is a great fundraiser but a lot of work. They are inviting other groups to help.*

#### 2012 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp Group

*Representative, Patti Ketner*

- *This year Valley View Elementary is heading the fundraising for camp.*
- *The Spaghetti Feed and Silent Auction raised over \$14,000.*
- *Movie Night raised \$650.*
- *A Fun Run will be held in conjunction with the Red Cross Run on April 15<sup>th</sup>.*
- *5<sup>th</sup> grade camp currently has raised \$27,314.00.*

#### Lincoln Parent Council

*Representative, Missy Davis*

- *The Council is very busy this time of year with Exploration Stations, Fun Fair, Book Fair, Earth Day Clean-Up and Bingo Family Night.*
- *The Council had its first Spanish speaking meeting and is hoping to have its second in May.*
- *The Council is voting for new Executive Board members next month.*

## **2) Nominations- (Jeff, John, Paul)**

### a) Term updates-vote

*Kathleen Beach is not seeking a new term.*

*John MacRae, Bob Titus, and Dick Wedin are seeking another term.*

*Upon a motion made by Mary Gordon and seconded by Kelley Quirk, John MacRae, Bob Titus, and Dick Wedin have been reappointed to serve another three year term.*

### b) 2012-2013 Officer Slate, vote

*Upon a motion by Dick Wedin and seconded by John MacRae, the following slate of officers*

*was approved for a one year term: President- Mary Gordon, Vice President-Kelley Quirk, Secretary-Missy Davis, Treasurer-Richard Wachsmith.*

**3) Scholarships- (Mike, Bob, Dick)**

- a) Update on Unified Scholarship process for 2012

*The committee is working closely with Neil Musser. More information will be reported at the next meeting.*

**4) Finance (Dick, Bob, John, Richard)**

- a) Mini grants- process and policies going forward- Dick

*Dick is working on presenting the information to teachers. The details will be worked on at the retreat in June.*

- b) National Foundation Application update

*No report.*

**5) Fundraising (Celeste, Kelley, Mary, Missy, Patti, Trish)**

- a) KVEC scheduling- Celeste

*Celeste reserved the KVEC for the next five years for the Friday before Super Bowl.*

- b) Update on collection of business donations from the February fundraiser

*All thank you letters were mailed.*

- c) Final numbers for gift to library

*President Mary Gordon will present the gift for the library to the ESD Board at the April 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.*

- d) Update on thank you letters for fundraiser

*All thank you letters were mailed with exception of a few that needed addresses.*

- e) Tile sales update and ideas for growth

*There have not been any recent tile sales. There will be a banner hung up soon to encourage the sales. Missy suggested giving tile information to reunion committees.*

- f) Generations- Duck Drop update

*Celeste reported that Generations will be fundraising this year to benefit a 'green space' project. ESDEF will not be involved this year.*

**6) Grants- (Cathy, Patti/Jim)**

- a) Legends Casino, books Grants, Lighting Grant

*No report.*

**7) Communications (Cathy, Mary, Mike)**

- a) Parent Group and Administrative presentations

*No report.*

- b) Presenting at the all staff meeting in September- discussion

*The ESDEF is currently looking into presenting at the ESD staff meeting in September. Mary will check with Paul regarding the possibility of setting up a table at this meeting.*

**New Business**

*No report.*

**Old Business**

- a) School Board presentation, April 11<sup>th</sup> (Library funds presentation, overview of library lighting grant, new scholarship ideas and implementation, mini grant process review)

- b) Annual retreat date discussion

*Mary will ask Cathy Bambrick to possibly facilitate again this year. A date will be chosen that will work for most members.*

**Next meeting- Wednesday, May 2, 2012, 7:00 am, Bar 14 Restaurant**

*The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 am*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Missy Davis, Secretary*