

Ellensburg School District Education Foundation

Board Meeting • Wednesday, November 7, 2012 • 7:00 am • Bar 14

Board Members Present: Missy Davis, Paul Farris, Mary Gordon, Alice Jaakola, John MacRae, Mike McCloskey, Trish Perna, Kelley Quirk, Jeff Slothower, Bob Titus, Celeste Torset, Richard Wachsmith, Dick Wedin

Board Members Not Present Patti Gylling

Guests Present: Hillary Huffman, Deborah Gauck

Call to order

Meeting was called to order at 7:04 am.

Guest introductions, reports from around the district

Hillary Huffman and Deborah Gauck introduced themselves. Hillary is a past president of Valley View Elementary PTA. She is interested in becoming more involved with ESDEF. Deborah Gauck introduced herself and is interested in assisting the ESDEF with writing grants.

Approval of agenda

Upon a motion made by Jeff Slothower and seconded by Bob Titus, the agenda was approved.

Approval of October 2012 minutes

One error corrected.

Rotary is requesting ESDEF to help with auctioning ten seats ~~at~~ for EHS graduation.

Upon a motion made by Jeff Slothower and seconded by Dick Wedin, the September 2012 meeting minutes were approved.

Paul Farris- Superintendent's report

- *Paul reported that at the next Strategic Planning Facilities Committee meeting, the architects will discuss the needs for a one or two story building. Their next meeting is Tuesday, November 13 in the Morgan Library.*
- *Paul stated that the 8th grade class is seeing record numbers of truancies and discipline problems. The administration is working on this issue.*
- *Paul will be asking for assistance from the ESDEF to help with a Scholarship event for Junior families. Paul will have a presentation regarding the college application process. He will have more information at a future meeting.*

Treasurer's Report- Richard

Upon a motion made by Jeff Slothower and seconded by Bob Titus the treasurer's report was approved.

There was a discussion regarding Memorial-Audrey Wedin on the treasurer's report to be changed to a new line item for an endowment.

Upon a motion made by Dick Wedin and seconded by Bob Titus the line item, Memorial-Audrey Wedin, be moved to a new line item Endowment was approved.

Correspondence

Mary read a thank you note from Michelle Bibich for the support the Board gave to the Leadership students at Morgan Middle School.

New Business

1. Deborah Gauck, Grant Writer
Deborah gave each board member a packet of information regarding grant applications. She discussed the list serves and websites the board should use as a resource. She is volunteering to research which grants the board may be interested in. She suggested having a community partner which may give the board a competitive edge for receiving grants. Deborah will meet with Mary and the ESDEF grant committee.
2. Band Parent Group Grant Request
We voted to give the Band Parent group the money they needed to order their uniforms. We will then include them in our fundraiser in February. And the money will be put back in to our account.

Old Business

1. Fundraiser recipient vote. Approved annual fundraiser band and tablet technology.
The board discussed supporting technology for ipads and/or district technology. Dick stated he would like to push the issue and fundraise for them. More discussion will happen with the technology folks on the possible downside of purchasing the ereaders.
2. EHS grant application- E Readers for EHS- Mary
Discussed with fundraiser recipient vote.
3. Support of art competition at EHS- Mary
Approved providing a \$250.00 prize to Barb goll for the planner artwork competition. Winning artwork will be displayed in the district.
4. Graduation Seat sale at Rotary auction- Mary
No report
5. Credit Card machine purchase- update and ideas- John
*John discussed his research regarding purchasing or renting a credit card machine. He reported that the company, Elavon, controls and distributes the hardware and software for credit card machines. They negotiate the fees from credit card companies. The machine takes 3-4 days to set up and has a \$25 monthly fee. He reported that purchasing a machine would cost about \$400 or \$75 to rent. He looked into purchasing a used one which would cost about \$75-100 but it would still need to be programmed. The Board discussed if a machine is purchased then the Associate groups may be able to use it.
Upon a motion made by Jeff Slothower and seconded by Bob Titus, the rental of a credit card machine for the 2012-2013 fundraiser was approved.
Trish will coordinate the rental of the machine.*
5. American Schools Foundation Alliance- Mary
No report

Committee Reports

- 1) Fundraising (Kelley, Celeste, Missy, Trish, Paul)**
 - a) New tile forms
No report
 - b) Tile Wall engraving company- Kelley update on Spokane firm
No report
 - c) Sign ups for Board members and how everyone can help with the February fundraiser

No report

d) Fundraiser PR- Chamber calendar, District calendar, building newsletters asking for auction items, save the date, etc

No report

e) Solicitations of prizes- Celeste- how to organize, who to ask

No report

2) Scholarships- (Paul, Mike, Alice)

a) Trade school scholarships opportunities- meeting with Neil Musser- Dick

No report

b) Scholarship Fair- Monday, December 3rd, 6-8:30 pm- Mike

Mike reported college representation will be from 6:00-6:45 pm and there will be breakout sessions from 6:45-8:00 pm. He requested the board to supply refreshments for students and families.

Upon a motion made by Celeste Torset and seconded by Kelley Quirk, \$75 to support Scholarship Fair was approved.

3) Grants- (Bob, Patti)

a) Priorities

No report

4) Associate Groups (Dick, Jeff, Kelley)

a) Update

No report

5) Nominations- (Jeff, Mary)

a) New Board member suggestions

No report

6) Finance (Dick, Bob, Richard)

No report

7) Communications (Jeff, Mary, Alice)

a) Parent Group and Administrative Power Point presentation

No report

Next Meeting- Wednesday, December 5th, 2012, 6:45am, Bar 14 Adjourned at 8:14.