

Ellensburg School District Education Foundation  
Meeting Minutes  
2/16/06

The meeting was called to order at 4:35 p.m. in the Morgan Library by President Connie Dunnington.

**Present were:** Mike McCloskey, Bonnie Price, Bob Titus, Kathleen Beach, Connie Dunnington, Cassie Allison, Dick Wedin, David Bowen

**MINUTES:**

Upon a motion by Bob and a second by Bonnie, minutes from the November, December, and January meetings were approved as printed.

**Treasurer's Report:**

- Dick shared the most recent treasurer's report as prepared by Richard.
- Richard suggests we look at updating our budget.
- Dick presented a proposed budget.
- Upon a motion by Bob and a second by David, an amended budget was approved which reduces the mini-grant amount to \$5533.00 with the understanding that any tile sales revenue over and above the budgeted amount not to exceed \$2000 will go toward mini grants.

**Committee Reports:**

**Allocations:**

- No report

**Finance:**

- No report

**Fund Raising/Tile Sales:**

- Bonnie reported that she has been present at all home basketball games to sell tiles. She has sold 15 so far with promises for more.
- She is preparing to send a letter to parents of seniors in the near future.
- Dick reported that Kenedar has doubled their engraving costs for tiles.
- Bonnie will look into a Spokane company to see if they might be able to do it cheaper.

**Nominating:**

- Kelley wasn't present. She is looking for a retired teacher to replace Doug.
- Mike reminded Connie that elections will be held in April and that nominations should be underway.
- Connie will contact Rebecca as the nominations chair.

**Publicity:**

- No report.

**Grants:**

- Mike will get grant applications out again, soon.

**Scholarships:**

- Connie reported that she had a discussion recently with EHS Principal, Paul Farris, about scholarships. He is anxious to improve and streamline the scholarship process for students.
- A lengthy discussion ensued about how the Foundation might play a role in that.

- Bob agreed to get copies of what Port Angeles did to share.
- When we receive the Port Angeles information, Dick will set up a meeting with Paul to develop a plan of action.

**Annual Meeting:**

- It was agreed to reduce the annual meeting to a no-frills event.
- Connie will begin contacting past annual meeting donors to see if they will still be willing to make a contribution toward our new goals.
- A fall scholarship event may replace the annual meeting.

**UMBRELLA GROUPS:**

**Morgan Performing Arts Center:**

- No report

**Excellence In Education Through Music Project:**

- No report

**Mt. Stuart Outdoor Nature Study:**

- No report

**Musical Instrument Project:**

- No report.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Fee Agreements for Umbrella Groups**

- No report

**Database:**

- Connie has her daughter working on this.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Dick shared a "Needs Survey" draft which he prepared. Suggestions were made for improvement.
- Connie will invite principals to our next meeting to seek their input as to ways the Foundation can provide support. She will include the "Needs Survey" with their invitations.

**Website:**

Cassie has updated the Excellence In Education Through Music Project and the board member portions of the website.

The next meeting will tentatively be, Thursday, March 19, 2006, pending contact with the principals and their availability.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael P. McCloskey  
Secretary