

Ellensburg School District Education Foundation
Meeting Minutes
1/16/03

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. in the Morgan Library by Dick Wedin.

Present were: Billie Thornton, Connie Dunnington, Dick Wedin, Doug Murphy, Richard Wachsmith, Mike McCloskey, Paul Jewel, Marlene Pfeifer

Bricks and Pavers:

- Dick shared that he had been in numerous conversations with the school board, architect, and Kenadar Corp.
- There will be 905 6" x 6" tiles on the east wall of the commons area.
- The architect will send an artist's rendition to Dick who will pass it along to Bob and Connie for the brochure.
- Tiles are part of basic high school bid which will be complete on March 5.

Treasurer:

- Richard presented our current treasurer's report as of 12/31/02, concurrent with the end of our fiscal year.
- All bills have been paid and we have \$330.79 left over!

Annual Meeting:

- Dick has reserved Valley View for the April 24th event.
- Doug checked with Ellensburg Inn and Rodeo City BBQ. Both had expensive food options.
- Doug will check with other caterers for dessert options.
- Paul will help secure a Chamber mailing list for advertising.
- Mike will put together a proposal for this event to share ASAP and discuss at the next meeting.

Project Proposals:

- Dick suggested that since we now are pretty well organized, it's time to solicit proposals from teachers.
- We will have teachers put together project proposals with a cost attached. We will then seek large businesses and/or grants to fund the project(s).
- It was reminded that these should be "passionate" projects.
- Dick will ask the allocations committee coordinate this.
- Dick will ask Jerry and Virginia to draft a letter to staff, then run it by Dick, Mike, and Gretta for approval.
- This should be done before our February meeting.

Ideas:

- Paul suggested hosting a Chamber Business After Hours highlighting our Foundation as well as other district amenities.
- Paul suggested contacting the Chamber Cowboys for fusing following next year's Rodeo.
- We need to get listed with other foundations so unsolicited funds might be directed to us. Dick will contact CWU folks to see about getting on these lists.
- We need to watch for Knudson Lumber's annual donation period.
- We need to get in people's budgets for annual giving.
- The 12k for K-12 is being tabled for now. A new running event is being hosted by the Daily Record in the fall which would be in direct competition with our event. It was agreed that less labor-intensive activities might provide better yield for us.
- Billie will check on the Children's Miracle Network donation opportunities.
- Connie suggested we just send a letter asking folks for donations. The hospital has been successful at this.
- After a discussion about scholarships, it was agreed that we would develop a list of all scholarships available through the foundation which would be mailed to graduating seniors annually.

The next meeting will be Thursday, February 20.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael P. McCloskey
Secretary