Ellensburg School District Education Foundation Meeting Minutes 1/19/06

The meeting was called to order at 4:40 p.m. in the Morgan Library by President Connie Dunnington.

Introductions:

Nicole Walker - Mount Stuart teacher in charge of the ESL Program.

Present were: Dick Wedin, Bob Titus, Connie Dunnington, Bonnie Price, Kelley Quirk.

Minutes:

Although a quorum was not present in order to approve the minutes, Bonnie moved and Kelley seconded that they were accurate.

Treasurer's Report:

None

Tile Sales:

Bonnie reported that to date 13 tiles have been sold.

Nominating:

We need to replace Doug Murphy with another retired teacher - Kelley will bring a list of retired teachers to the next meeting.

Grants and Scholarships:

Remind Mike that it is time to notify the schools that grant applications are again being accepted.

Annual Meeting:

There was discussion about not holding an annual meeting this year - perhaps just a business meeting or delaying it until we have decided on our objective for a fund raiser.

New Business:

Dick shared he has been approached by a gentleman who wishes to endow a "Strings Program" for two years.

A 5th grade teacher also wishes to set up a scholarship fund through the foundation to be applied for when his students become seniors.

Nicole Walker shared "Day of the Child" program with us. Students are invited from the surrounding communities to the event on April 29 from 10-1:00 pm at the Ellensburg High School. This program celebrates kids in literacy and different classes are taught. Every student goes home with a book. Last year over 500 children attended.

Open Discussion:

At our next meeting we are hoping to discuss with the superintendent what he sees are some unmet needs in our school district that perhaps the foundation could focus on. At each future meeting we hope to meet with principals, teachers and then have public involvement.

The next meeting will be Thursday, February 16, 2006.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Price Substitute Secretary