

Ellensburg School District Education Foundation

January Monthly Meeting - Wednesday, January 6th, 2016 - 6:45am – IHOP Restaurant

Board Member Attendance (PT=part-time):

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michelle Cawley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Missy Davis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paul Farris	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deborah Gauck
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mary Gordon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patti/Jim Gylling	<input type="checkbox"/> Mark Larson	<input type="checkbox"/> John MacRae
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike McCloskey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trish Perna	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeff Slothower	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Richard Wachsmith
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dick Wedin			

Guests in Attendance:

None.

Call to order - 6:45 am by Jeff Slothower

Agenda Approval

Jim moved to approve the January agenda. Carried.

Previous Meeting Minutes Discussion:

Jim moved to approve the December, 2015 minutes. Carried.

Treasurer's Report- Richard Wachsmith

Richard covered the December financial report. We have around \$7500 in our unrestricted funds. Restricted funds were received for our 2016 Super Bowl Warm Up event, various scholarships, 5th Grade Camp and Caring Cupboard. Report attached.

Superintendent's report - Paul Farris

Paul reported that he is thankful the weather has been warmer since school has been back in session. He reported on the email bomb threat the district received in December; the threat was a hoax and it was actually discovered a few days after the threat was received as it was captured by the graymail system. Many words in the threat were misspelled. Our district was mentioned in the threat at the same time as a California school but they failed to contact us. All has been turned over the FBI for trouble shooting and communication improvement in the event of a real threat. Paul reported that the staffing for technology will stay with the M&O levy, not the Tech Levy as reported last month. Whether the Tech Levy passes or fails, increased staffing will be needed to deal with the details of the respective outcome. Abatement at Morgan will begin in March, and construction is scheduled for completion in the summer of 2017. Everyone is hopeful the new district website will launch any day and Paul promises big improvements. The new email system (first.last@esd401.org) is working well, but messages to the old email addresses should still be received.

Committee Reports:

Correspondence – no report.

Scholarships

Mike reported that the Scholarship Fair went well and there are plans to continue the event. Scholarship donors had good feedback, attendance was up, and the breakout sessions were very full.

Officers and Board

Rachel Caron and Jodi Musser have both declined to consider joining our Board at this time.

Fundraising

Mary said the planning for the February 5th Super Bowl event is going well. Major sponsors include Scott Perna, Morning Rotary, ESDEF and Edward Jones. Jeff announced the menu from EPC and discussion followed. EPC will also handle the bar. Gyllings will provide popcorn. We will set up at 11 am. Mike suggested a new fun game called 'Heads/Tails' and we decided to give a compilation of local restaurant coupons as the prize with a \$10 buy in. Missy suggested a full room wine walk this year, and Jeff announced his law firm has offered to sponsor the wine purchase for this game. Michele will work with her son to secure a beer donation from Iron Horse Brewery. Posters were distributed to Board members with Missy and Michele explaining the community distribution plan. Invitations were stuffed and will be mailed today.

Finance – No report.

Associate Groups - No report.

Other Business: Dick discussed a grant request received from Teri Sorenson for a 'Nick of Time' heart screening to be held at EHS in the spring of 2016. The event costs \$10,000; they are requesting \$3000 from our group. Discussion followed. Jim moved we grant the group \$1,000 contingent on them securing the other \$9,000 first. Funds will be taken from the proceeds of the 2016 Super Bowl Warm Up. Mike seconded the motion and it carried.

New Business- none.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 a.m.

Next meeting- February 3rd - 6:45 a.m., IHOP Restaurant

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Gordon
ESDEF Secretary