

Ellensburg School District Education Foundation

Monthly Meeting - Wednesday, June 7, 2017 - 6:45am – IHOP Restaurant

Board Member attendance:

Curtis Bull	John MacRae (absent)	Maureen Rust
Michele Cawley	Mike McCloskey	Staci Sleigh-Layman (absent)
Deborah Gauck	Lowell Murphree	Jeff Slothower
Mary Gordon	Mike Nollan	Dick Wedin
Linda Graf	Noreen Norfleet (absent)	

Meeting was called to order - 6:45 am by President Mike McCloskey

Minutes approval

Dick noted the amount donated by John Cleman for supporting arts related projects should be corrected to \$10,000. Mary made a motion to accept the minutes with this change, Jeff seconded. Motion carried.

Superintendent's report (Mike Nollan)

- The middle school was evacuated and students, faculty, and staff sent home yesterday (June 6) due to construction fumes. Mike was pleased at the rapid and successful response and noted that all construction materials are non-toxic.
- 230 seniors are scheduled to graduate this Friday (June 9).
- Brian Aiken has been selected to be the new district business manager. He previously worked in the East Valley School District (Spokane).
- The district has 17 new hires, with 5 remaining to be filled. Some of the vacancies are due to retirements, some are new positions, partially in response to the Special Education needs voiced previously this year.
- The work of the Facilities Planning Commission continues to progress.
- Morgan Middle School update: the 6th and 7th grades will move into the new sections this fall and the portables will be moved to Valley View Elementary. The 8th graders will be moved back to the middle school in Fall 2018 when the final stages of construction are completed.

Treasurer's report (Dick Wedin)

- The April financial reports have been distributed.
- Checking balance is \$26,182.25 (includes the \$10,000 Cleman donation)
- Money Market balance is \$49,250.46 + \$5.44 in interest
- The Foundation also has three investment accounts with Edward Jones.

Correspondence

- None at this time.

Progress on goals:

- **To be discussed at the retreat.**

Old Business:

- *Funding student attendance at National Competition:* Mike will bring to the next school board meeting.
- *Audit:* Mary, Noreen, and Dick met to review and approve the March 31,2016-December 31,2016 audit.

- *Tiles*: The engravers are scheduled to come July 6 for the most recent round of engraving. It needs to be determined who will take this program over from retired board member Jim Gylling.
- *Safeway and Fred Meyer charitable giving*: The Safeway “designated charity” program appears to have changed, and the Fred Meyer program is competitive and cumbersome to participate in. Deb suggests we be more strategic about pursuing campaigns for targeted, similar programs. **Mike will add this topic to the retreat agenda.**

New Business:

- *Board member resignation*: Founding board member John MacRae has tendered his resignation from the board. Mary will look into recruiting some suggested replacements. Jeff made a motion to present John with an apple award, Michele seconded. Motion carried. Michele made a motion that all retiring board members who have served more than one term be presented with an apple award, Jeff seconded. Motion carried.
- *Retreat date*: The annual retreat will be held on Monday, July 17, 5:00-8:00pm. Venue TBD. There was discussion about inviting guests, such as educators, grant recipients, administrators, or representatives from other nearby education foundations. Mike will determine possible invitees and extend the offer.
- *Insurance for directors and officers*: Dick noted that extensive forms must be completed before a premium quote is issued. The board discussed the likelihood of liability versus the premium cost. Dick will proceed with filling out the forms; the board will reconsider once a quote is received.

Other Business:

- *Give-away items for opening day of new school year*: **This will be discussed at the retreat.**

The meeting was adjourned by President Mike McCloskey at 7:45am. The next regular meeting of the ESDEF is scheduled for Wednesday, September 6, 6:45am, IHOP Restaurant.

Submitted by Maureen Rust, Secretary