

**Ellensburg School District Education Foundation**  
**Monthly Board Meeting Wednesday, May 2, 2012 7:00 am Bar 14**

**Board Members Present:** *Missy Davis, Paul Farris, Mary Gordon, Patti Gylling, Alice Jaakola, John MacRae, Trish Perna, Kelley Quirk, Jeff Slothower, Bob Titus, Celeste Torset, Dick Wedin*

**Board Members Not Present:** *Mike McCloskey, Richard Wachsmith*

**Guests Present:** No guests

**Call to order**

*Meeting was called to order at 7:01 am.*

**Introductions**

**Approval of agenda**

*Upon a motion made by Jeff Slothower and seconded by Celeste Torset the agenda was approved.*

**Minutes- approval of April 2012 minutes**

*Upon a motion made by Patti Gylling and seconded by Kelley Quirk, the April 2012 meeting minutes were approved.*

**Paul Farris- Superintendent's report**

*There will be a Morgan Middle School tour on May 2 (tonight) at 6:00pm before the Strategic Planning Committee meeting. Principal Bibich is speaking tonight at the meeting. Both architects agree that if it's a new middle school or to modernize Morgan, the cost will be almost the same. Mary reported that it's a diverse group of people on the committee.*

**Treasurer's Report- Richard**

*Upon a motion made by Dick Wedin and seconded by Jeff Slothower the treasurer's report was approved.*

**Annual Retreat sign ups**

*Please sign up for an item for the meal held during the retreat.*

**Committee Reports**

**1) Scholarships – (Mike, Bob, Dick)**

a) Update on Unified Scholarship applications for 2012

*Dick reported scholarship applications are very low. Alice Jaakola commented that the top students are getting penalized for being a good student because there are merit based scholarships and they deduct the amount if the student receives the scholarship.*

*Many comments/suggestions followed:*

- *Parents need to get involved with scholarship forms at the beginning of their freshman year.*
- *Paul reported that he may have an informative night for junior parents regarding scholarships.*
- *Bob suggested that there is a break-out session for junior year students.*
- *To design a web page which would include scholarship information and the common links.*
- *Kelley suggested a field trip to CWU for 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> graders, which is the optimal age when students get the 'drive' to go to college. Paul will follow up with this suggestion.*

**2) Associate Group - (Dick, Jeff, Kelley)**

a) Associate updates

*Alice Jaakola reported that the band is looking to purchase new jazz and concert band uniforms. She presented estimates ranging \$6,345-\$7,485 which is for 75 uniforms, 30 female and 45 male. The band is going to Disneyland in June which is too soon to raise enough funds.*

*The band is hoping to raise enough funds by the Christmas concert. Dick Wedin suggested that this may be a mini-grant applicant.*

**3) Nominations- (Jeff, John, Paul)**

- a) Alice Jaakola

*Alice is a substitute teacher with Ellensburg School District. Jeff reported that the board will still be within the bylaws upon her nomination. Please notify Jeff with any other board member nominations.*

*Jeff Slothower nominated Alice Jaakola to join the board. Upon a motion by Jeff Slothower and seconded by Bob Titus, the nomination were unanimously approved.*

- b) By laws update, no term members (Paul and Mike)

*No report.*

**4) Finance (Dick, Bob, John, Richard)**

- a) Mini grants – process and policies going forward - Dick

*Dick reported that he has a meeting with a few people. He will report at the retreat.*

- b) National Foundation Application update

*No report.*

**5) Fundraising - (Celeste, Kelley, Mary, Missy, Patti, Trish)**

- a) Tile sales update and ideas for growth-discussion

*Kelley reported that there is a banner to hang up near the tile wall. She is also looking into adding information in the school paper and handing out brochures to the reunion committees.*

**6) Grants - (Cathy, Patti/Jim)**

- a) Legends Casino

*No report.*

- b) Book grants

*No report.*

- c.) Lighting grant

*No report.*

**7) Communications - (Cathy, Mary, Mike)**

- a) Parent Group and Administrative presentations

*Paul approved for ESDEF to have a table to present to teachers for mini-grants.*

- b) Presenting at the staff meeting in September-discussion

*No report.*

**New Business**

- 1)

*No report.*

**Old Business**

- a) School Board presentation, April 11<sup>th</sup> (Library funds presentation, overview of library lighting grant, new scholarship ideas and implementation, mini grant process review)

*Mary presented to the school board the attached report. \*\**

- b) Annual retreat, Thursday, June 21, 4-8 pm, John's Edward Jones office

*Mary will facilitate the retreat meeting. Please sign up for an item for the meal.*

**Final meeting-Annual Retreat**

Thursday, June 21, 2012, 4-8 pm, John MacRae's office, Edward Jones, 900 S. Ruby

**Next Meeting-TBD at retreat**

*The meeting was adjourned at 8:01am.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Missy Davis, Secretary*