Ellensburg School District Education Foundation

Monthly Meeting - Wednesday, January 2, 2019 - 6:45am - Palace Café

Board Member attendance:

Michele Cawley (absent) Jinger Haberer Brandon Robertson Kirk Holmes Maureen Rust

Amy Cziske Mike McCloskey Dan Shissler (absent)

Deborah Gauck Lowell Murphree Dick Wedin

Mary Gordon Noreen Norfleet

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

The minutes from November, 2018 and December, 2018 were considered. Lowell made a motion to accept; Noreen seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report:

Dick reported the following account balanced (as of December 11, 2018)

Checking \$33,745.89
Unrestricted \$34,079.57
Restricted \$50,284.35
Ed. Jones \$1,004,393.84

He noted he updates the Edward Jones balance annually (in January), and that his fall solicitation letter resulted in donations totaling \$1,150.

Superintendent's report:

- The bond is moving forward with architect consultations. Public discussion is invited beginning at next week's school board meeting.
- Parents are expressing interest in more project based/experiential curriculum which would impact space design.
- The district is currently developing vision and goal statements.
- Computer Science at the high school is going strong. Several students are acquiring certification in desirable programs, including Python.
- The high school is clustering classes specific to career pathways (i.e. STEM, health sciences).
- Jinger thanked the ESDEF for their support via mini-grants and Caring Cupboard.

Old Business

Umbrella Groups: Mike, Dick, Jinger, Brian Aiken, and Haley Naboychik have met to clarify options for participating parent groups, who are still eligible for routing their fundraising accounts through the district (ASB). The final decision by the ESDEF board regarding allowing umbrella groups to use our 501c3 will be made at the February 6 meeting. Dick recommends using June 30 as the date of termination, if that is the decision. He also recommends honoring the 2019 contract with the Senior Party, providing they agree to apply for their own 501c3. Jinger will send out the guidelines for using the ASB umbrella. Mike suggested sending emails now to pending requests, advising them that the board will make a final decision regarding our umbrella policy on February 6. Following further discussion, Mike suggested the board facilitate the possible transition by scheduling a

meeting led by Haley to provide information to parent groups on the ASB umbrella and on forming their own 501c3.

Super Bowl Warm-up

Mary distributed the list of **delegated duties**, and asked that **procurement forms** be sent to her ASAP (including scanned or jpg versions). The deadline for procurement forms is Tuesday prior to the fundraiser. Mike reported on planned **games**, including a new cornhole game. Because there will be more games, he will need additional help during the night. We need four prizes for the Super Bowl square winners. All board members will bring **one or two bottles of wine** for the Wine Walk. Kirk will coordinate prize beer and wine. **KVEC is booked**; security is contracted. **Tickets** are available on the website. All tickets are \$25. At the retreat we will assess how big of a hit we take with online payment fees. Mary distributed **invitations**, emphasizing the importance of returning the completed RSVPs. The **mailing list** is updated; we will start adding email contacts to the spreadsheet. Mary will update the **promotional video** for showing at the fundraiser – please get pictures of funded projects to her by January 15. Event "high roller" sponsors and former board member Jeff Slothower will receive **Red Apple awards**.

Kittitas County Youth Awards

Mike distributed the applications, due back by February 8.

Staples Scholarship

Mike recently met with Mr. Staples, who intends to bequeath his entire estate (\$250K-\$350K) to ESDEF as a scholarship endowment.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 a.m. The next regular board meeting will be held February 6, 2019, at 6:45 a.m. at the Palace Café.

Submitted by Maureen Rust.