

Ellensburg School District Education Foundation

Wednesday, June 5, 2019 - 6:45am – Palace Café

Board Member attendance:

Michele Cawley	Mary Gordon	Noreen Norfleet (absent)
Jesus Baldovinos	Jinger Haberer (absent)	Brandon Robertson
Tor Blaisdel	Kirk Holmes (absent)	Maureen Rust
Tara Brown	Cara Marrs	Dan Shissler (absent)
Amy Cziske	Mike McCloskey	Dick Wedin
Deborah Gauck (absent)	Lowell Murphree	

Meeting was called to order - 6:45 am by President Tor Blaisdell

The minutes from April 3, 2019 were considered. **Mary made a motion to accept the minutes as printed, Mike seconded. Motion passed.** The minutes from May 1, 2019 were considered. **Dick made a motion to accept the minutes as printed, Maureen seconded. Motion passed.**

Treasurer's report:

Balances as of May 13, 2019:

- Checking \$36,051.80
- Unrestricted \$47,376.83
- Restricted \$39,293.00
- Edward Jones \$989,735.35 (as of January 1, 2019)
- Storms fund \$19,050.00

Superintendent's Report: None this month. There was discussion regarding the apparent discontinuance of both the baccalaureate ceremony and the top 10% program at the high school. Mary will contact the school district for clarification.

Communications/Correspondence

None.

Committee Reports/Correspondence

Mini-Grants: Michele reminds teachers of the mini-grants during her frequent visits to the schools. Mary asked Mike to double check the district website to assure it is linking to the new ESDEF website. **Mary made a motion to including the following language in the mini-grant instructions:**

Grant recipients must submit receipts for reimbursement by November 1 of the year following award of the grant. Money remaining after November 1 will return to the ESDEF for use in future grants.

Lowell seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Super Bowl Warm-up: Mary circulated the Committee Coordinator sign-up sheet.

Communication: Thank you to Tara for the new Facebook page.

Caring Cupboard: Mary reported requests were down in May. She is getting requests from the developmental pre-school for clothing and shoes.

Scholarships: There were 27 applications/recipients of unified scholarships this year. Mr. Smithson has committed to a \$16,000 (\$4,000 per year for 4 years) scholarship in his mother's name. Dick pointed out it is better to give the money directly to the recipient, rather than the college/university, to avoid complications and red tape in case the student transfers to another school.

Mailing Lists: No report.

Tile Wall: In process; nothing new to report.

Parent/Umbrella Group: No report.

Nominating Committee: No report – full board.

Kittitas County Youth Awards: No report.

Website: Jesus will contact the photographer to have his portrait taken.

Bylaws/Mission Statement: Report will be brought to the annual retreat.

Grant Writing: No report.

Old Business:

Sponsorships: The June 30 deadline is approaching. This date heralds the end of the various school district groups using the foundation's 501©3 status. Dick met with Rachel Case who reported the Booster Club is dissolving and the Senior Party will assume its 501©3 status. The girl's Hardwood basketball club has joined the boy's Hardwood basketball club, and have requested the refund of the maintenance fee they paid the ESDEF. **Mary Gordon made a motion to refund the fee, Mike McCloskey seconded; motion passed.**

New Business:

Summer retreat: It will be held in early July. Mary will check with Pasta Co. on available dates.

Other: Michele reported that the bookmobile is gearing up for five weeks in July, and is considering expanding the service to include other schools and organizations, including FISH food bank's Picnic in the Park. Lowell requested funding to attend a webinar presented by the National Association of School Foundations. **Mike made a motion to approve the \$25 registration fee, Mary seconded; motion passed.** Lowell will let the board know if others can join in the webinar or can access the archived presentation. Dick is planning to attend an upcoming Washington nonprofit workshop. Michele reported that the Hope Squad program (addressing mental health issues and suicide prevention) has started at the high school and is well received.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 a.m. The next regular board meeting will be held July 3, at 6:45 a.m. at the Palace Café.

Submitted by Maureen Rust, standing in for Deborah Gauck, Secretary