

Ellensburg School District Education Foundation

Board Meeting Minutes • Tuesday, October 1 • 5:15 p.m.
MMS Principal's Office

Present: Mike, Mary, Marvin, Dick, Michelle, Maureen

Absent: Troy

OPENING AGENDA ITEMS

- Mike called the meeting to order at 5:15
- Mary Story: On a recent visit to WSU medical school Mary learned they are seeking communities in which to place students on rotation. Could we attract Ellensburg graduates who are in the program? Perhaps providing a scholarship of ~10K for 4 years? Perhaps partnering with the KVH Foundation. Mary will follow up with her connections.
- The minutes from the July 12 meeting were approved (motion: Mary, 2nd: Dick) and the September 10, 2024 meeting were approved (motion: Marvin, 2nd: Mary).

MONTHLY REPORTS

- Treasurer's Report – None at this time.
- Superintendent's Update – No report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTIVITIES

- Board recruitment- Mike – David Rolfe is passing for now but will help with the fundraiser
- Caring Cupboard - Mary
 - Mary has submitted \$800 in receipts for following items: clothes, glasses, PE shoes. There was discussion about the high volume of clothing in the schools' Lost and Found. Could the items be repurposed? Morgan MS is working on a "thrift store" from which student can "buy" items using tickets.
 - Contact at Ida Nason Aronica ES still in progress.
- Facebook – Mary has forwarded Marvin an invite giving him editing privileges.
- Fundraiser – Mary
 - Rusted Root has been chosen to be the caterer for the event. The challenge will be getting them a headcount two weeks before. Dick distributed the sponsor list and asked for help contacting possible sponsors.

- We will reach out to the parent organizations for auction baskets and remind them in January of the event.
- Branded cookies too expensive – will stick with candies on tables
- Learning Enhancement Awards- Michelle
 - Application window closes November 1; decisions made at November 5 meeting
 - Suggestion: a board member (not Michelle) attends a Professional Learning Community meeting when the current grant process is over.
 - Zenick field trip: no receipts (costs difficult to estimate)
- Scholarships – Mike
 - Shirleen Woods establishing a scholarship in Norm Woods' name. Lilliquist awardees have not been redeeming their scholarships. Career & Technical Education scholarships will have a separate process.
- Staff Appreciation – Maureen
 - Maureen will update connections with Parent Groups to collaborate on activities
- Tile Wall – Dick
 - 3 purchased so far in September
- Website – Mary
 - Mike will send information about the youth awards and scholarships
- Youth Awards – Mike- meeting to be scheduled soon

OLD BUSINESS

- Stovall Scholarship
 - Applications are due September 30, 2024. None received so far. Remind to be sent.
- School board presentation: perhaps November 24? Board representative on ESDEF board?

NEW BUSINESS

- Welcome Back BBQ Bust
 - Low attendance reason not obvious. Weather? Sprinklers? Not promoted by principals?
 - Noticing trend of disengagement (BBQ, baskets, youth awards)
 - Idea: change to LED breakfast?
 - Michelle will arrange for a meeting between the foundation and building principals.

- Survey Staff?
- The next big thing?

CONCLUSION

- The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Next meeting: November 5, 2024, Morgan Principal's Office, 5:15 pm