

Ex Board Minutes

March 1, 2022, at 2:30 p.m.

Members in attendance: Bruce H, Bruce M., Lori H., Peggy C., Tim B., and Sara M.

1. Meeting called to order at 2:30 by Bruce M.
2. Additions to Agenda from Executive Committee members:
There were no additions.
3. Financials
Bruce H. and Tim are meeting on Friday to work on the financial reports for February. They will email the February Profit and Loss Statement and Balance sheet to the exec. committee when it's completed. Bruce H. pointed out that the stock market has been bad from mid-January through February, so our net assets have decreased as shown on the fundraising report.
4. Review: Annual Report, Annual Meeting, Annual Report to the School Board
 - Annual meeting went well. We had about 41 people joining the Zoom with about 60 people attending all together. Great comments from our award winners. Next year, we would like to have the annual meeting back at the Country Club.
 - Annual report looks great. It's very colorful and easy to read.
 - Bruce H. will get a \$25.00 gift card for Elizabeth to Kohinoor Bar and Grill for helping with the annual meeting. Peggy will deliver the gift card to Elizabeth.
5. Review of Bus Driver Recognition Coffee
Most drivers were very appreciative of the coffee truck. We have done 3 bus garages so far and have 2 left this week. Bruce will send out the time, dates and addresses of the last 2. It was a good idea and has been well received.
6. PAKRAT/PAKCAT Funding
 - Monday, Feb 21 PFSS Site Visit – Sara & Bruce
 - \$30,005
 - Decision by April 7

Bruce H. and Sara took part in a United Way/Partners for Student Success site visit for the PAKRAT/PAKCAT grant on Feb. 21st. The decision will be made on grants between mid-March and April 7th.

7. Homeless Fund:
 - City Block Grant App. Feb 8, March 8 - \$12,000
 - April Fundraiser: "Homeless Awareness Month in St. Cloud"
 - KCLD Charity of the Month
 - Bruce H. made a presentation on Feb. 8th to the City of St. Cloud. 19 groups presented.
 - The homeless services committee met on Friday and the PR committee met today to discuss a LEAF fundraiser for the homeless program. The fund is down to \$7,000.00.

We are working on a 3-pronged approach:

- The 3 big donors to the homeless fund
- People who have donated to the homeless fund in the past
- General community through postcards

April will be our fundraising month for the homeless fund. The LEAF Homeless fund will be KCLD's charity of the month. There are some opportunities with the Earth Day event too. Peggy is working on this. Organizations can receive a \$500.00 grant for cheering if selected and the loudest cheer group gets \$1,000.00. Bruce H., Peggy, Rebecca Groenwald and Jen Loch are meeting on Friday to plan for the LEAF Homeless fund fundraising campaign for the month of April and will update the exec. committee.

8. Grants Committee (Peggy)

- Grants Closed on Feb 23

19 grants were submitted totaling 27,824.00. We have \$12,496.00 to grant.

Peggy is proposing that after we determine the amount available for activity grants, we first subtract the restricted grants and then divide the remaining equally in half for the fall and spring grant cycles.

The grant committee can't review 52 grants in one meeting. Peggy would like to separate the activities and academic due dates (about a week apart) for the fall grant cycle. The grant committee will have one meeting for activity grants and one meeting for academic grants. This is only for the fall round. Peggy and Bruce are meeting to update the questions for the activity grant application.

9. March board meeting in person???

The March board meeting will be in person at the LEAF office and on Zoom.

10. Distribution of Annual Reports

- Schools?
- Other

We will give approximately 10 copies of the annual report to each school for the building principal and teachers/staff members to look at. Pam Stang's students, who are featured in the report, will each get one. Sara will bring some copies to Gary Ganje to delivery to cabinet members. Activities directors at each school will receive a copy. Others could be delivered to the Chamber of Commerce, LEAF donors that gave more than \$500.00 and the bus garages.

11. Principles & Practices Topics Remaining

- 1) Fundraising – Bruce H.
- 2) Evaluation- Bruce H.
- 3) Planning
- 4) Civic Engagement and Public Policy (Peggy)
- 5) Strategic Alliances (Bruce Mohs)
- 6) Human Resources
- 7) Volunteer Management
- 8) Leadership and Organizational Culture (Peggy)

12. Committee on **Strategic Plan Review/Succession Planning** (Bruce Hentges)

- Membership:
- Executive Director, Grants Administrator, Treasurer, Administrative Assistant

We are skipping this agenda item for this month.

13. Future **Events Committee** (Bruce Hentges)

We are skipping this agenda item for this month.

14. 2022 Executive Committee and Board of Directors Meeting Dates

Executive Committee

March 1

April 5

May 3

June 7

Board of Directors

March 21

May 16

July 12
August 2
September 6
October 4
November 1
December 6

August 15
October 24
December 19

Next Executive Committee Meeting: **April 5, 2022 at 2:30 p.m.**