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RUSHFORD-PETERSON SCHOOLS

Foundation for Rushford Peterson Schools Meeting Minutes

Friday, February 12, 2016 | 9:00am | R-P school upper library

- **Announcements/Roll call** – President Ledebuhr presided.

Present: Claire Olstad, Lisa Ledebuhr, Chuck Ehler, Brad Hoiness, John Linder, Jenny Helgemoe, Joyce Iverson, Robin Honken, Dan Bieberdorf

Not Present: Lisa Lawston, Roger Metz, Sally Ryman, Jen Hengel
- **Approval of previous meeting minutes: January 8, 2015** – Motion by Ehler, second by Hoiness, minutes approved.
- **Bills/payments:** Motion by Hoiness, second by Linder to approve payment for the following bills, motion approved.
 - Bluff Country Newspaper: Display ad for scholarship drive, \$73.63
 - PO Box 27, Preston, MN 55965
 - RP Valley Chamber of Commerce: 4th quarter invoice for Jen Hengel services - \$313.82
 - PO Box 338, Rushford, MN 55971
 - Jonathan Koenen - \$500 Foundation scholarship and \$500 Reinhardt Scholarship
- **Financial update:** total ending balance as of 2/12/16 - \$39,572 (not including funds received through Scholarship Drive). Mr. Ehler also alerted us we received another \$10,000 from the Merle Evenson family that has yet to be deposited. This will go towards bleachers in the new school. Also, still waiting on \$275 wellness grant for staff participation in TCC/CTB
- **Scholarship Fund drive summary:** Jenny Helgemoe updated the group on the fund drive. This year we used Facebook as a means to reach out to alumni from 1985 – 1999. The idea was to get them to like our Foundation page, and then send private messages informing them how to donate to the Foundation. The students helping made a video which was put on our Foundation FB page.
- **New School Donations/Memorials:** Dan Bieberdorf and Mr. Ehler talked about progress in this area has been slow. They are working on a list of needs/wants for new school that can be made available to potential donors. It was decided that Lisa would help coordinate a committee to work on this process.

- **Fall Feast/Tri-City Challenge:** The dates will remain Friday, September 30 for Fall Feast (Mill is reserved, cost \$400), Friday, October 7 and Conquer the Bluff, and Saturday, October 8 for Tri-City Challenge. This year we will be changing the Tri-City Challenge to a Run, Bike, Hike, where participants will finish at the top of the bluff.

A proposal was submitted from Anderson Race Management (ARM) to help us grow this event. The proposal was \$1,000 to set up and market the event, with additional fees for tag timing (minimum \$750). The Board all agreed that for what we are getting, this was a great price. Motion by Iverson, 2nd by Helgemoe to accept this proposal and move forward with enlisting the help of ARM, motion approved.

We also discussed need to determine how much of fee for all events are tax deductible. This will help us better budget and allow participants to deduct for tax purposes. More details on the event will be coming.

- **Angel Fund Request:** none
- **Next Meeting:** Friday, March 11 at 9:00 am in Upper HS Library