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RUSHFORD-PETERSON SCHOOLS

Foundation for Rushford –Peterson Schools Minutes

Thursday, March 3, 2017, 9 am R-P school upper library

Announcements/Roll call – Chair Ledebuhr presided with a welcome to new member Donna Boyum.

Present: Lisa Ledebuhr, Chuck Ehler, Robin Honken, Joyce Iverson, John Linder, Sally Ryman, Jenny Helgemoe, Donna Boyum, Lisa Lawston, Claire Olstad; administrative – Jen Hengel

Not Present: Brad Hoiness, Kathy Wade

Approval of Feb. 3, 2017 meeting minutes: – Motion by Ehler, 2nd by Iverson to approve minutes, motion carried.

Bills: Motion by Ehler, 2nd by Helgemoe to pay following bills, motion carried:

- Postage stamps for Scholarship Fund Drive to Sally Ryman - \$49

Deposits:

- Scholarship Fund Drive donations so far - \$690 (includes on-line contributions of \$280)
- Reinhardt Scholarship Fund - \$100

Financial Report – Jen Hengel gave the financial report, total funds to date - \$68,866.81. There was discussion about last month's motion to move all but \$2,500 from Tri-City Challenge (TCC) fund to general fund. There should have been 75% going to scholarship fund, as we marketed.

- Lawston made a motion to rescind the previous motion, 2nd by Ryman, motion carried to rescind.
- Motion by Ryman, 2nd by Iverson to transfer \$4060.70 from the TCC fund, of that, \$3,045.53 will be transferred to scholarship fund and \$1,015.17 will be transferred to general fund. Motion carried.

With a new scholarship coming up in memory of Merlin and Lila Jameson, there was also discussion around financial categories. There was agreement that one category be created called Named Scholarships, which would currently include Konetchy, Reinhardt, Evenson and Jameson scholarships. Any new names scholarship money would be deposited into this new category. Motion by Helgemoe, 2nd by Iverson to create a Named Scholarship financial category, motion carried.

There was also discussion around doing the same thing for New School money, which is now currently part of the general fund. Motion by Ryman, 2nd by Iverson to create School Enhancements financial category, where all donations to new school and school enhancements will be deposited, motion carried.

It was determined that each year the number of scholarships we would award would be 10% of number of graduates (funds permitting). This year the senior class has 60 kids, so we will award six (6) \$500 scholarships.

New School Donations/donor wall update: Subcommittee (Ehler, Ryman, Iverson, Olstad, Lawston, Dan Bieberdorf) met on Thursday, March 2, 2017 and it was decided that the donor wall would not be in place by the opening of the new school. There will be a press release that is being worked on by Sally Ryman that will encourage new school donations by

acknowledging and thanking those who have donated so far. It will also list possible needs for anyone who may want to donate in the future.

Scholarship Fund Drive update: Jenny Helgemoe updated the board with progress on fund drive which goes through March 31, 2017. She was impressed with the student help, including a video made a two seniors and posted on Facebook. They did a calling and email campaign to staff and families of K-8 grade. To date, they have raised \$690 with a month to go. They will continue to market through a press release and Facebook.

Tri-City Challenge: We are starting to plan for our event again this year. The date has been set at Oct. 14, 2017, with format remaining the same at run, bike, hike. The fee was discussed and now that there is no golf, the fee will be lowered to \$15 per event, or \$40 for all three events. The time will be adjusted to a 10 am start time. Steve Myhro from Rochester has agreed to help plan and promote the event. We will begin to revamp the flyer, with more details to come.

Fall Feast: Date has been set at Saturday, October 7 at the Mill. We will get Mill reserved and continue to work on details.

Next Meeting: April 7, 9 am in Upper Library. We will review all scholarship applications at that time.