



FOUNDATION
FOR
RUSHFORD-PETERSON SCHOOLS

Board Meeting Minutes
January 3, 2020 | 8:00am | R-P School

Present: Sally Ryman, Hannah Linder, Jen Hengel, Joyce Iverson, Jack Culhane, Jenny Helgemoe, John Linder, Jo Anne Agrimson, Kathy Wade, Donna Boyum, Claire Olstad, Ricky Buchanan.

Not Present: Lisa Lawston, June Vitse, Brenda Tesch.

The meeting was called to order by President Ryman at 8 a.m.

Agenda. Item added to “Bills to Pay”: 2020 yearbook ad; we've been purchasing the \$75 ad. BLT & Jr. BLT info: Bluff Land Trojan Kids Challenge is the new name of the Jr. BLT. Motion by Iverson, seconded by Wade, to approve the agenda with additions and corrections. All in favor; motion approved.

Minutes from November 8, 2019. Motion by J. Linder, seconded by Culhane, to approve the meeting minutes as presented. All in favor; motion approved.

Financial Reports. Hengel presented the report and was available for questions. More checks were received today: \$1600 for the Angel Fund and \$25 for the General Fund. Ryman noted that we have funding to cover all payments this month for the 2019 scholarship recipients. She asked the Board to consider, prior to next month's meeting, the number of scholarships that the Board should offer in 2020 for payment in early 2021.

Treasurer's Report notes:

- General Fund revenue of \$160 this past quarter came from donations, as follows: Sandy Rumstick and Diane Nikunen in memory of Roger Metz; Ramona Metz in memory of Roger Metz and in honor of Chuck Ehler; Gary and Nancy Rustad in memory of Bruce Blixt and Richard Berg; Sonja and Duane Cook in memory of Bruce Blixt. We also received \$250 from Ross Himlie Photography after the financial report had been completed.
- General Fund expenses included Angel Fund payment to R-P Schools totaling \$990; SMG Web Designs for \$500; and the Chamber contract for \$185.
- BLT Fund revenue came from Fall Feast attendees and donors. Expenses in this fund were for postage (\$79.20), Stumpy's (\$589.05), and Ferndale (\$100).
- Scholarship Fund revenue includes the \$500 returned scholarship; \$50 donation in lieu of Fall Feast attendance but directly designated to this fund; and \$250 from the Rushford Men's Club that was designated to the Scholarship Fund (also resulted from Fall Feast solicitation).
- Named Scholarship revenue came from a donation from June & Nathan Vitse towards the Merle and Bette Evenson Scholarship.

Motion by Wade, seconded by Iverson, to approve the financial report. All in favor; motion approved.

Bills to Pay:

- **Sally Ryman**—\$56.00 reimbursement for annual PO Box rental
- **Rushford Peterson Valley Chamber of Commerce**—\$157.25 quarterly contract services (Oct. 1-Dec. 31)
- **Rushford Peterson Yearbook**—2020 yearbook ad ¼ page for \$75.

Motion by Wade, seconded by Olstad, to approve paying these bills. All in favor; motion approved.

2019 Scholarship Recipients. Listed below are the scholarships awarded in 2019 and to be paid if the students are showing progress in their post-secondary education. Helgemoe will verify progress and send approval for payment to Hengel.

- \$250 service scholarship for Emily Didier from the **Scholarship Fund**.
- \$500 scholarships (includes Trade/Tech designated) from the **Scholarship Fund** to: Abby Malone, Abbey Hoegh, Megan Oian, Lauren Lawston, Kjersta Hinz, Nolan Mueller, Cora Bauer, Sophia Tekautz, Kaitlyn Bieberdorf, Isabelle Gile, Chloe Bunke, Emily Didier, Ian Brown, Austin Banks, Landon Skalet and Grace Thompson.
- Michael Reinhardt **Named Scholarship** \$500: Peyton Hoiness and Megan Oian.
- Merle and Bette Evenson **Named Scholarship** \$500: Peyton Hoiness, Nolan Mueller, and Megan Oian
- Merlin and Lila Jameson **Named Scholarship** \$1000 (renewable for second year): Lauren Lawston (2019) and Andrea Larson (2017).
- Mitch Thompson **Named Scholarship** \$500: Chloe Bunke and Megan Oian.
- Ronald Kjos **Named Scholarship** \$500: Isabelle Gile.

Motion by Olstad, seconded by Agrimson, to give prior approval for Helgemoe to contact Hengel for payment requests to SMIF as each student meets the requirements for their scholarship. All in favor; motion approved.

In February, Ryman and Hengel will have more detailed financial information so the Board can make informed decisions about the number of scholarships we can offer this year.

BLT and BLT Kids Challenge.

Bluff Land Trojan Kids Challenge: Sunday, July 19, 2020 @ 1:00pm. Note the new name.

Bluff Land Triathlon: Saturday, August 15, 2020 @ 9:00am

Tesch had sent minutes of the committee's meeting minutes. She created a communications plan to get the word out to expand our event. We will be reaching out to triathlete associations to expand participation beyond our community.

Rushford Days Homecoming: Lawston reported via email that the Booster Club will work with us to engage alumni and gather contact information during Rushford Days this year, which is a homecoming year. She also reached out to the Rushford Days organization about offering school tours.

Fall Feast: How could this be changed for the better? The group was asked to think about 2020 plans.

Motion by Iverson, seconded by Boyum to adjourn. All in favor; motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:30.