



FOUNDATION FOR RUSHFORD-PETERSON SCHOOLS

Board Meeting Minutes

June 3, 2022 | 7:30 a.m. | Forum Room, RP School

In Attendance: Donna Boyum, June Vitse, Jen Hengel, Jack Culhane, Joyce Iverson, Jenny Helgemoe, Brenda Tesch, Amy Woxland, Brielle Rasmussen, Duane Koenen and Jo Anne Agrimson

Absent: Superintendent Jon Thompson (Aaron Prinsen has now graduated)

President Joyce Iverson called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

Approve Agenda: Motion made to approve the agenda by Tesch; seconded by Vitse. Motion carried.

Minutes: Motion made to approve the corrected minutes from May 6, 2022, by Culhane; seconded by Koenen. Motion carried.

Student representative comments: Rasmussen suggested Ryan Prinsen as a possible student representative. Agrimson moved that we ask Ryan Prinsen to be our next student representative. Seconded by Vitse. Motion carried.

Financial Report:

Hengel reported only two new donations sent to SMIF: one to the Named Scholarship Fund, and the other is a BLT sponsorship put into the Scholarship Fund.

As an example for the Angel Fund, Hengel presented guidelines used by the Winona County Collaborative's Family Flex Fund. A similar structure could provide guidance to Angel Fund applicants, as well as to the Foundation board members when considering a request.

Discussion was held with these major questions/points:

- Would this pigeon-hole the board into denying some requests when limited by guidelines?
- Overall guidelines may be helpful if they are not rigid.
- SMIF's only rule is that the monies are not given directly to an individual.
- How do teachers learn about the Angel Fund and its mission?
- Could we provide examples of items that would be funded?
- The historical context is that this fund was originally set up by then Supt. Chuck Ehler because there was no avenue to find monies for some basic needs of students. It is the last resort for providing funds for items such as school trips, drivers' ed, Chromebooks and snack fees.

Hengel will compile a list of Angel Fund items the Foundation has approved. This could provide information for teachers to better understand the purpose of the Fund.

Bluff Land Trojan Kids Challenge

Tesch gave an update on the BLT Kids Challenge to be held during Rushford Days. The obstacle course will be open from 12-1:30 for fun practice runs. The races, run by age group, begin at 1:30 and last approximately 15 minutes. This event will be held with the other events at Creekside.

Volunteers are needed from 11-2 Saturday, July 16.

Bluff Land Tri

35 racers are signed up to-date; 125 is the limit. Kerry Connaughty will make medals for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Colin Schroeder will create medals for a new division of winners by age. Each runner will receive a finisher medal.

The cost for these medals can be covered by the money saved because we do not need drone operators or professional photographers.

A flyer will go out to all.

June Vitse has committed a Thrivent card for T-Shirts.

Volunteers are needed for this event as well; it begins at 9:30 a.m. August 20.

We also have a need for more sponsors: 14 of our 2021 sponsors have not yet responded. Tesch will email everyone the list and the sponsorship letter with an explanation of the categories: \$500, \$250, \$125, and \$100.

Jenny Helgemoe read a thank you from the second graders for help with their field trip to the Eagle Center. These will be scanned to be included with our minutes.

Next meeting is scheduled for 7:30 a.m. Friday, July 8, 2022 in the Forum Room.

Motion made to adjourn at 8:05 by Agrimson; seconded by Vitse. Meeting adjourned.

David
 Jesse
 William
 Lysander
 Weston
THANK YOU
 Kayler
 Libby
 We had the best time,
 Braxton Lucas Aiden Tate Hudson M
 and learned so much
 Isaiah Ashlyn
 about eagles!!
 Delia
 Teagan
 Gabe Em. Lee Eli, Tobin
 Adaline Jack Winston Drew
 Lorin
 Jonli Brody Stella Teigen Hudson K
 Griffin K Kinnick Kennedy
R-P Second Graders
 Mr. Olstad L. Mrs. McAllister George
 IZZI cooper Ethan Emma Otis Mrs. Koppand
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Dear Foundation for
 R-P Schools Board,
 Thank you so
 much for your sup-
 port which allowed
 us to go to the
 National Eagle Center.
 We had a great time!