



FOUNDATION
FOR
RUSHFORD-PETERSON SCHOOLS

Board Meeting Minutes

November 4, 2022 | 7:30 a.m. | Forum Room, R-P Schools

In Attendance: Steve Oian, June Vitse, Jack Culhane, Supt. Ben Bernard, Jenny Helgemoe, Brenda Tesch, Jo Anne Agrimson, Jen Hengel **Absent:** Amy Woxland, Brielle Rasmussen, Joyce Iverson, Duane Koenen, Ryan Prinsen

Vice-President Vitse called the meeting to order at 7:35 a.m.

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

Minutes: Motion to approve the annual meeting minutes from October 7, 2022 by Culhane; seconded by Tesch. Motion carried.

Financial Report:

Jen Hengel reported on quarterly interest. She noted \$3,000 was contributed to the Bluff Land Tri Fund for bike racks. \$570 was donated to the Retired Teachers Scholarship. A late BLT sponsorship came in, so \$125 was placed in the Scholarship Fund. Motion to accept the treasurer's report by Agrimson; seconded by Tesch. Motion carried.

Bills to Pay/Angel Fund

It is time for 2022 scholarship payments to be sent to the recipients' colleges or universities. Jasmine Schueler is now a junior and eligible to receive her second Merlin and Lila Jameson Memorial Scholarship of \$1,000. Motion to pay these scholarships by Agrimson, seconded by Culhane. Motion carried.

Other payments:

- SMG Web Design \$500: annual payment for web design and hosting services
- Sally Ryman: \$104.38 reimbursements related to the October mail campaign: this includes for \$66 stamps; \$5.89 large envelopes; \$5.57 small envelopes; \$2.25 paper; and \$24.67 printer ink.
- R-P Schools Angel Fund Request by Angela Shepard for \$130.15 for one family's overdue lunch account.

Motion to pay the bills and the Angel Fund request by Agrimson; seconded to Culhane. Motion carried.

Annual Fundraising

Agrimson wrote an application to MiEnergy's Operation Round-Up Program, and Brenda Tesch applied to the Arlin Falck Foundation; both applications were successful and resulted in \$1,000 and \$2,000 awards, respectively. The funds will make it possible to purchase custom bike racks from Connaughty Sales for the next Bluff Land Tri in August 2023. Agrimson will coordinate with Connaughty Sales.

2023 BLT Kids Challenge & Bluff Land Tri

Tesch asked for volunteers for the committee, explaining the help needed.

Motion to skip the December meeting and meet next on January 6 by Agrimson; seconded by Tesch. Motion carried.

Vitse also acknowledged and thanked new board member, Steve Oian, for agreeing to join the Foundation's Board of Directors.

Motion to adjourn by Oian; seconded by Vitse. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 a.m.

Next meeting is scheduled for 7:30 a.m. Friday, January 6 in the Forum Room.

ACTIONS FOR SMIF:

Payments to the following (see Bills to be Paid form for addresses and funds debited):

- **SMG Web Design, \$500.00** for website design and hosting services
- **Sally Ryman, \$104.38** reimbursement for expenses related to the October mail campaign
- **Rushford-Peterson Schools, \$130.15** from General Fund (Shepard Angel Fund request)

- **Scholarship awards to the Class of 2022 recipients' colleges and universities, and the second Jameson Memorial Scholarship to college junior Jasmine Schueler:**
 - Michael Reinhardt Memorial Scholarship (\$500):** Carson Thompson and Hayden Banks
 - Merle & Bette Evenson Memorial Scholarship (\$500):** Justin Ruberg, Aaron Prinsen and Olivia Thompson
 - Merlin & Lila Jameson Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000 now and \$1,000 during third year of schooling):** Olivia Thompson, Jasmine Schueler
 - Mitch Thompson Memorial Scholarship (\$500):** Andrew Hoiness, Justin Ruberg, Aaron Prinsen, Malachi Bunke, and Carson Thompson
 - Dr. Ronald Kjos Honorary Scholarship (\$500):** Emarie Jacobson and Carson Thompson
 - Retired Teachers Scholarship (\$500):** Justin Ruberg
 - Bruce Victor Bartelson Scholarship (\$500):** Breena Pehler
 - G.S. Woxland Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000):** Justin Ruberg and Malachi Bunke
 - Bruce A. Blixt Memorial Scholarship (\$1,500):** Zenessa Anderson

 - Foundation for R-P School Scholarship (\$500):** Carson Thompson, Aaron Prinsen, Ellyson Malone, Hannah Lutz, Andrew McNeill, and Emarie Jacobson
 - Chuck Ehler Honorary Scholarship (\$500):** Grace Buchanan
 - Foundation for R-P Schools Trade/Tech Scholarship (\$500):** Thomas Ekern, Justin Ruberg, Malachi Bunke