

Wednesday, September 9, 2020
 Via ZOOM
 Meeting Minutes

A. Call to Order – Mark Purcell called the meeting to order at 8:04 am.

Present – Linda Cherashore, Lori Cushman, Paul Dougherty, Donna Foley, Debi Friedmann, Stacey Fuller, Beth Hayes, Toni Keg, Deb Maccariella, Lara Melfi, Doug Pacitti, Mark Purcell, Lauren Ranalli, Vicki Reilly, Jim Scanlon, John Scully, Karl Sivek, Drew Stanley, Seema Thomas, York Williams, Josh Winter

Absent: Pat Erbe, Matt Franks, Dianne Herrin, Jen Neill, Seema Thomas

B. Approval of May 28 Meeting Minutes

Board Action: Motion to approve the May 28, 2020 meeting minutes was made by Mark Purcell and seconded by Drew Stanley. The motion carried.

C. John Scully gave a budget update and reviewed the Treasurer’s Report for month ending August 2020.

D. Approval of Disbursements – John Scully asked for approval of the following disbursement. This expense was a one-time purchase of individual hot spots for families with connectivity issues.

Date	Account	Check #	Amount
7/13/2020	WCASD-reimburse for connectivity for families in need	1183	\$20,000.00

Board Action: Motion to approve the disbursements was made by Vicki Reilly and seconded by Doug Pacitti. The motion carried.

E. Annual Reorganization Meeting takes place on October 14 - Board members up for reappointment will be officially approved at that meeting. Dr. York Williams, WCU professor joined the meeting and volunteered to replace Dr. Witmer. Dr. Williams introduced himself and the board welcomed him and gave a brief introduction of themselves.

F. Status of Programs – *most of the foundation’s efforts are on hold due to the CoVid shutdown.* A summary of programs discussed follows:

- a. EITC funds: In October, we will review the total amount that must be spent, and how much we have spent to date. John Scully will contact PA DCED to find out if the program will be extended due to the pandemic.
- b. PFEW: there was no in-person program this summer and it is unknown whether the program will run next summer. They did offer free on line programs.
- c. Partner of the Year and recognition of donors: it was agreed that an in-person recognition would be best – hopefully in the spring.
- d. Mini Grant Program: a review of programs completed and monies spent will be presented at the October meeting. The board previously approved extending the expenditure of the 2019-20 mini grants until the end of the year. Teaching remotely has overextended the teachers. No new funding has been offered. Revisit in October.
- e. Career Education opportunities: Much effort was giving to be sure that incoming seniors were supported in a remote environment. There are some online program opportunities that Donna will report on in October.

G. Plans for fall 2020 and beyond – *will revisit this at our October meeting.*

H. Strategic Plan Reports:

- Goal A - Increase Community Visibility and Support
- Goal B - Increase Financial and Program Partnerships
- Goal C - Provide Financial Support for On-Campus Programs
- Goal D – Maintain Effective and Efficient Foundation Board

Due to remote learning this spring, there was no planning meeting in June. Linda will remind everyone of the subcommittees, chairs, and members. Please review and restructure goals to be simpler. We will briefly review the goals at our next meeting.

By voice vote, the meeting adjourned at 9:05 am.

The annual reorganization meeting takes place October 14, 2020.