

Date: February 12, 2024

Location: Greenwood Administration Building

Attendance: Tiffany Woods (President), Peter Goerner (Treasurer), Michael Zafiroff, Jen Whitson, David Dean, Tracie Rhyneanson, Brad Rose, Amy Jones, Megan Zaborowsky, Dawn Arnold, Dr. Terry Terhune, Julie Reynolds, Joe Harding, Angie Glynn

1. Call to Order: 7:08 p.m. (board picture taken)

2. Treasurer's Report:

- a. **Reviewed financials: Increased balance in restricted fund due to Neiman contribution.**
- b. **Considering changing the fiscal year to match the school year (7/1 - 6/30) so that income/expenses are more accurately reflected.**
- c. **PayPal account is officially charity-based. We now pay less than 2% on fees.**
- d. **Motion to approve David Dean, Second Amy Jones**

3. Approval of Minutes: Motion to Approve January Minutes: Joe Harding, Second Shawn Bauer

4. Committees:

a. Special Events: Shawn & Dawn

- i. **Bourbon, Bags & Bingo Event: Event is sold out. 7 bags have been purchased; Dawn will purchase remaining bags. Mark Havens will be buying more bourbon. Tie games will choose between wristlet and small Blanton's. Additional raffle tickets for kleenex donations. Will have a 50/50. All payments should be collected by Spring Break.**
- ii. **Rock The Block: Saturday April 27th. We need 20 runners registered to GEF by the end of February. (The 20 does not include kids.) We have enough volunteers currently. Signage is coming to advertise.**

b. GEF Cares: Julia & Tracie

- i. **SW Student Council donation drive: Steve Corbin and SW Student Council sponsored a coat, glove, and hat drive and gave those donations to GEF.**
- ii. **No new GEF Cares events scheduled at this time.**

c. Scholarships: Peter

- i. **Application has been streamlined to allow for one application for multiple scholarship opportunities.**
- ii. **Transition to Trades scholarship - no matching donor at this time so we will make a motion for this scholarship to \$500 for the first year and then look to alter in following years if warranted. This will be the big ask at Monte Carlo with a goal of \$7500. Motion to approve: Tracie Rhyneanson, Second Mike Zafiroff.**

d. Grants: Amy

- i. **Super Grant deadline 2/28/24**
- ii. **Spring Grant deadline 3/15/24**
- iii. **Amy clarified/reiterated that grants can cover professional development in a restricted way. Grants cannot cover certifications, master's programs, or gas, food, or hotel accommodations.**

e. Monte Carlo

- i. **Additional board members are not needed to separate silent auction and raffle items at Dawn's.**

ii. Day of reminders - meet at the Sycamore at 11:30 for set up. If you have not donated your liquor, please bring it day of. If you need a nametag, it has been ordered and will be there that day.

5. Old Business

a. Member's End of Term/New Candidates

i. Names of prospective new candidates should be given to Tiffany by the next meeting, 3/11/24.

ii. Lissi will be resigning her secretary position and from the board at the end of year. Brad is rolling off at the end of his term.

iii. Two seats to fill plus two additional that were not replaced previously. Would like to find someone interested in doing the PR/social media posting. New members with a connection to Aspire or the hospitality industry would be ideal as well.

6. New Business:

a. INAPEF Conference - 2/28/24

i. Anyone interested in attending let Tiffany know. It is a half day conference - 11:00-3:00.

b. New ED hiring process

i. Part time employee vs. 1099 employee was discussed. What do each of these look like?

ii. Would like to fill this position in 2024.

Next Meeting: March 11th