# eBoard of Directors Meeting

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Rochester Public School Foundation

Date:	Location
November 14, 2012	John Marshall High School
	1510 14th Street NW

Rocket Center

# Members Present (BOLD indicates present)

Svaar Vinje	Karen Mathison	Phillipa Hartley
Becky Gerdes	Mark Schleusner	Melissa Amundsen
Jenny Hegland	Grace Vriese (Century)	Danielle Nikolai
Tim Woessner	Samantha Francis (Mayo)	Dan O'Neil
Scott Mahle	Roya Bashier (J. Marshall)	Mark K
Amanda Mallinger- Reinartz	Patricia Defrang	Becky Montpetit
Gabe Koepp	Jim Thompson	

#### Call to Order

President Mark Schleusner called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

## Review of October Meeting Minutes - Danielle Nikolai

The October meeting minutes were reviewed.

Note that Minutes are posted on the website – password protected.

Motion to accept the minutes; Phillipa Hartley . Seconded; Becky Gerdes . Motion approved.

#### Review and approval of October Financials – Scott Mahle

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- Reviewed October financials.
- Rochester Area Foundation financial statements have been delayed due to delay in REITS
  investments statements. Per our request, statements will be sent on time without updating REITS,
  which will be updated when information is received.
- Looking at how to handle new deposits to existing funds such as Sanich Fund, without creating new accounts within it.
- Motion to accept October financials; Dani Nikolai. Seconded; Jim Thompson. Motion Approved.

# Nomination Committee Update - Mark Schleusner.

- Mark Kuisle nomination submitted. Motion to accept nomination; Phillipa Hartley. Seconded Becky Gerdes. Motion Passes.
- Will be open positions for the 2013/2014 year.
- New officers start April 1, all roles to switch over: President will be Becky Gerdes and looking for Treasurer, Secretary, and Vice President.
- Discussion: Consider expanding number of positions on RPSF due to expanded scope of the board with athletics and fine arts addition. Other discussion: There are other ways to expand the capacity to do the work (expanding task orientated roles and managing the people doing the tasks) rather than expanding the number of board members. Can be run through subcommittee and then recommendation brought to the board.
- Action item: Melissa Amundsen will approach Regina Seabrook to start coming to meetings and fill next available board position.

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## Grant committee update - Jenny Hegland

- a) MAD Grants and Excellence in Action Awards will be monitored by Becky Montpetit going forward.
- **b)** Excellence in Action 2 requests. Motion to approve; Melissa Amundson. Second Becky Gerdes. Motion Passes.
- c) MAD Make a Difference: 9 requests (\$900.00). Motion to approve; Melissa Amundson. Second; Jim Thompson. Motion Passes.
- d) Fall Grant update: 26 grant requests received over \$56,000 in requests. Grant committee meets October 11, 2012 to rate grant requests. Need to identify \$3000.00 STEM to use IBM grant money on. Use money out of restricted funds if possible.
- e) Special Meeting for Grant Acceptance Nov. 28 at 7pm at John Marshal High School, recommendations will be sent ahead of time and grants will be sent out via Google docs so that they can be read ahead of time.
- f) Consider changing the date for next year to not coincide so directly with Haunted Hallways

#### Haunted Hallways update -Phillipa Hartley.

- Lessons Learned meeting was held and lessons learned documented.
- Financials: Made just over \$38,000.00 from Haunted Hallways 2012. Motion to give each of the participating schools \$1000.00 to match what was done last year; Phillipa Hartley. Seconded; Melissa Amundson. Motion Passes.
- Fuel and LGR chamber of commerce leadership program 9 month program could be approached for volunteers
- Go / No Go for 2013 will need to be made based on number of people willing to take leadership roles for the event.

# New Fine Arts and Athletics Update – Mark Schleusner

• Action item; Mark Schleusner continue moving forward with discussions on this merger.

#### **Donation Envelope**

- Becky Gerdes has developed a prototype, will e-mail out sample and send out ASAP.
- Send letter out with envelope.

#### **December Meeting – Mark Schleusner**

- Minimal business meeting with family get together.
- Action Item: that Mark Schleusner will find restaurant location for this event.

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#### Round table - Everyone

Non-standard outstanding items for future business:

- 1) Get e-voting email around to all board members to e-vote on. With HH now complete for 2012, this will go out post Wednesday's meeting
- 2) Continuation of plans from Strategic Planning meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Submitted by Danielle Nikolai

### Addendum November 28 Special Session Meeting for Grant Review held at JM High School at 7pm

- Discussion on grants submitted and recommendations from Grant Committee to approve 8 of the grants and reading of details of grants.
- Motion to approve the following 6 grants: We Care, We Learn, We Lead, We Inspire, WE READ!!! From Franklin Elementary; Outdoor Classroom by Mayo High School; Kindergarten Reads at Home! by Gage Elementary School; InSciEd Out Garden Project by Lincoln K-8 Choice School; iPads for All by Lincoln K-8 Choice School; Technology: Offering a New Approach to Mental Health by Mayo High School made by Becky Gerdes. Seconded; Patti DeFrang. Motion passes 12-0.
- Motion to approve Cambodian Student Association by Rochester Area High Schools made by Melissa Amundsen. Seconded; Phillipa Hartley. Motion Passess 9-2 with one member abstaining.
- Motion to approve FIRST Robotics Competition Team 2530 by Rochester Area High Schools made by Mark Schleusner. Seconded; Melissa Amundsen. Motion Passes 10-2.
- Check will be sent to the school district for these grants for \$16,200.00.

#### **Donation Envelopes**

 Motion to approve \$250.00 expenditure for donation envelops and stamps made by Mark Schleusner. Seconded; Scott Mahle. Motion Passes.

Submitted by Danielle Nikolai.