



October 8, 2014 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Northrup Room 304

Members Present: Becky Montpetit, Scott Mahle, Diana Sorensen, Melissa Amundsen, Mark Schleusner, Jim Thompson, Michael Pendleton, Rob Scripture, Angela Cheng, Richard Hinds

Call to Order

President Scott Mahle called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Introductions

Old Business

Minutes: Approval of minutes. Motion to approve September meeting minutes: Rob Scripture. Seconded: Jim Thompson. Approved.

Financials: Motion to Approve September Financials: Mark Schleusner. Seconded: Michael Pendleton. Approved. Approval of August Financials moved to November meeting.

Discussion regarding submitting a proposal to Mayo Clinic to increase the funds in the Chance Fund. Historically used for at risk youth to participate in fine arts and sports, etc.

Richard has suggested that we try to brand ourselves: Music Booster, Athletics Booster, etc.

Athletics and Fine Arts clarification: Mark explained that why we are labelled athletics and fine arts category so we can qualify for the Minnesota state athletics grants.

New Business

Grant Committee Update

Many new applications for MAD grants and two for Excellence in Action. Becky created a document of the grant requests in the order that they were received. Motion to approve all Excellence in Action and all MAD grant requests except the chained request and the unclear request: Melissa Amundsen. Seconded: Mark Kuisle. Approved.

All principal emails. Email to Rob, he will send out to the principals.

Discussion regarding fall grant cycle. Melissa Amundsen and Mark Trisko volunteered to join the grant committee. Deadline is November 1st, grant committee will meet before the November 12th board meeting and bring a proposal for granting. The applicants will have a decision before Thanksgiving break. Becky will contact Wendy about getting on the January school board meeting to present the grants.

Foundation By-Laws Update

Recommendations will come through on some clarifications of the by laws.

Tix for Kids

We have historically provided funding for this program that provides tickets to community events: cultural events, arts, sports, etc. Last year the RPSF board gave \$500. Motion to approve \$500 donation to Tix for Kids (Rochester Olmsted Youth Commission): Jim Thompson Seconded: Melissa Amundsen. Approved.

Fundraising Updates

Fun Run

At the end of the all-city cross country meet. 26 kids participated. It was good PR and we have plenty of shirts for next year. Kids had fun, good turn out. Win/win.

Haunted Hallways 2015

Have confirmed with the Olmsted County Fairgrounds. Working on volunteers for next year. Hoping to have more volunteers by November 14th. If we don't have enough volunteers by that point we are going to have to shelve it. Price will be dependent on the building.

Alumni Basketball Game

Saturday December 20th at Century. Four teams from each school. \$200 donation towards the band programs to have them participate at the tournament. Registration is live on the website. Mark is contacting the coaches tomorrow.

Announcements

- School Readiness Council will be having a fundraiser at Barnes and Noble. (Educator Week)
- School Specific Funds and Alumni Push. Get the Co-Leads of every class reunion to talk with them about a donation.
- Guinness Book of World Records application has been rejected.
- Jim has brought up bringing back the monthly sign-ups to go to area businesses to discuss our foundation.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:14 pm

Respectfully Submitted by Becky Montpetit