



SkillsUSA Kansas Foundation Board of Directors Meeting Minutes March 3, 2017

Meeting called to order at 10:00 am, by President, David Praiswater

Roll Call: Deb Hargrove presented roll call. A quorum was established with 16 voting members present: Peggy Torrens, Eric Tincher; PJ Reilly, Deb Hargrove, Tori Magnett, Kent Thomas, Denver Mishler, Rod Murphy, Diane Steadham, Beth Conrad, Ed Hensley, Alan Beck, David Praiswater, Steve Polley, Roy Shafer, and Chris Sterrett.

Non-voting members present: Becky Warren, Jillene Cunningham, Travis Riebel, Clifford Smith, and Kelli Byrne.

Approval of Minutes: Deb Hargrove presented the November 4, 2016 minutes for approval. Eric Tincher moved to accept the minutes as amended. Steve Polley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Budget Review: PJ Reilly gave the treasurers report as of February 2017 with a balance of \$42,462.31 in the General Account.

Alumni Foundation Report: Tori Magnett connected Mobile Cause Fundraising Representative by phone conference allowing the board to ask questions about the product and how it would benefit the organization. The alumni foundation committee proposed to purchase the app and use it during the Kansas State Conference as a Call to Action project. The representative shared with the board that Mobile Cause is more than just a fundraising tool. It can be used as an online form to engage support such as “text to Volunteer” “text to Sign-up” and “text to a Survey.” Mobile Cause App not only used with a phone it can be used on the SkillsUSA Website, and Facebook page as well. The Alumni’s main focus for the app is to first use it as collecting contacts with Alumni members and build our alumni database. SkillsUSA would eventually use it to help raise funds to offset some of the conference fees. The board tabled the proposal and asked Tori to research other fundraising apps so they could compare the product with others.

State Directors Report: Director, Becky Warren reviewed the Kansas State Conference board assignments for April, gave a membership report and handed out the 2017-2018 schedule of events.

Committee Assignments: The board adjourned at 10:30 a.m. to their assigned committees to review the applications for Scholarships, Administrator of the Year, and Advisor of the Year.

The board reconvened at 11:30am and announced their selections:

Postsecondary Administrator of the Year: Cliff Smith, Kansas City Kansas Technical College

Postsecondary Administrator of the Year: Sheree Utash, Wichita Area Technical College

Postsecondary Advisor of the Year: John Lemon, Washburn Institute of Technology

High School Advisor of the Year: Marty Warren, Labette County High School

Postsecondary Scholarship Award: Kendra Gotzemen, KCKCC Pioneer Center

Postsecondary Scholarship Award: Cassandra Puletapuai, Kansas City Kansas Technical College

High School Scholarship Award: Amanda Carr, Field Kindley High School

High School Scholarship Award: Denton Douglas, Bluestem High School



Miscellaneous: Deb Hargrove has been assigned to the Workforce Development committee to help raise awareness of Career Technical Education and SkillsUSA. The committee met in Cowley County with Rubbermaid, Creek Stove and General Electric representatives in hopes to generate workshops to connect students to career opportunities within their county.

New media outlets out of Wichita connected with the State Director, Becky Warren to engage in SkillsUSA success stories of our members. Becky connected them with PJ Reilly to head up those efforts.

Becky Warren also welcomed Eric Tincher back into our fold after serving a tour overseas through the military. She thanked him for his service and glad he was back, just in time for State Conference.

Beth Conrad moved to adjourn the meeting. Peggy Torrens seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon.

Minutes recorded by: Deb Hargrove
Approved 7/30/2017