

Pana Community School District #8

Pana Educational Foundation Committee Minutes

Date: May 23, 2012

Time: 7:06 AM

Location: Pana Unit 8 School District Office

Call To Order By: Rebecca Carter-Beeson, President

Roll Call: Members present were Rebecca Carter-Beeson, Dr. Bill Beyer, Jim Downs, Jay Dunseth, Dennis Ishmael and Al Stupek.

Members Absent: Rhonda Weideman

Superintendent Present: Yes

Visitors: None

Approval of Minutes: Downs made a motion to approve the minutes from the PEF April 18, 2012 meeting seconded by Dunseth. All yes.

Treasurer's Report: Jim Downs reported that the PEF regular checking account balance as of April 30, 2012 was \$27,970.92 noting that this balance dropped drastically from last month's 49,890.26 balance due to funding of Mini-Grants. Jim also reported that there were no outstanding bills to pay with the exception of past PEF Scholarship winners who have yet to report to Jim their grades. The Treasurers Report was motioned for approval by Dunseth and seconded by Stupek. All Yes.

Items Discussed:

Committee Reports:

- 1) **Scholarship** – Jim reported we had 11 applicants this year. Holly Billiter was selected as the winner and will be presented with the scholarship at the high school graduation ceremony on Friday, June 1.
- 2) **Courtyard** – Nothing to report for now.
- 3) **Mini-Grants** – Dennis and Becky made a mini-grant announcement to all teachers on May 18, 2012. Dennis reports that all mini-grant pictures have now been taken.
- 4) **Publicity** – Dr. Lett will take mini-grant pictures to the Pana News for further publicity. Scoring for Education picture has been taken and already appeared in the Pana News.

New Business:

Dr. Lett mentioned that David Budds had donated 2 life insurance policies to the PEF with the stipulation that half is retained by the PEF and the other half be given to the new high school soccer program. There was some question as to David's wishes for and the timing and method of the policy transfer. Al Stupek was directed by the PEF to contact Dave and clarify his intent. Motion was made by Beyers and seconded by Dunseth for directing Al. All yes. There was also considerable discussion about future consideration from individuals to use the Education Foundation as a conduit via the PEF's 501(C)3 status to make donations to other school affiliations other than educational. No action was taken.

Dr. Lett reported that he clarified with Carol Kessler that her \$1,000 scholarship be used by someone who will be studying art in college.

Dr. Beyers spoke about developing a more comprehensive program in conjunction with website business sponsors. This could include newsletters, event video streaming, advertisements etc. to promote business donors. Dr. Lett will work on establishing a committee outside of the PEF to further enhance this program. Dr. Beyers will send out communications to business accounts alerting them to our intentions of publicizing their contribution on a broader scale.

It was motioned by Ishmael and seconded by Dunseth to move our next monthly meeting (Foundation's Annual Meeting) to Wednesday, June 27 as opposed to Friday, June 29. All Yes.

Graduation is June 1, 2012 @ 7:00 PM at the Pana High School

Next PEF Board meeting is set for Wednesday, June 27, 2012 at 7:00 AM at the Pana CUSD #8 office.

Motion to adjourn was made by Stupek seconded by Dunseth. All yes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:01AM.

