

Pana Community School District #8

Pana Educational Foundation Committee Minutes

Date: November 17, 2010

Time: 7:02 AM

Location: Pana Unit 8 School District Office

Call To Order By: Rebecca Carter, President

Roll Call: Members present were Rebecca Carter, Jim Downs, Jay Dunseth, Dennis Ishmael, Al Stupek and Rhonda Weideman.

Members Absent: Don Allen

Superintendent Present: Yes

Visitors: None

Approval of Minutes: Ishmael made a motion to approve the minutes from the PEF October 20, 2010 meeting seconded by Downs. Stupek made the observation that the Internet banking account balance as of September 30, 2010 of (328.04) was listed in error and should have been \$5,328.04. All yes.

Treasurer's Report: Jim Downs reported that our checking account balance as of the October 31, 2010 bank statement was \$27,011.09 in the PEF regular checking account with only change being deposits of \$924 and interest earned of \$8.54. Downs reported a balance of \$5,267.14 in the website checking account. Dunseth made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report and Stupek seconded it. All yes.

Items Discussed:

Committee Reports:

- 1) **Scholarship** – Nothing to discuss at this time.
- 2) **Courtyard** – Nothing to discuss at this time
- 3) **Mini-Grants** – Dennis Ishmael presented his recommendation for funding of the 2010 Mini-Grant requests totaling \$7,278.29. (See attached sheet for a further breakdown.) There was some discussion that we may need to re-evaluate our budget position on mini-grants for future years. More and more requests are technology based which tend to be more expensive. Stupek made the motion to accept Ishmael's recommendation and it was seconded by

Dunseth. All Yes. Dr. Lett and Dennis will notify award winners and they will be announced publicly at a boys' basketball game in January.

- 4) **Publicity** – Dr. Lett and Becky are working on a donor letter to be mailed out before Thanksgiving. Dr. Lett also reported that Dr. Beyers continues to work on the PEF website and enhance it. Business cards that Dr. Beyers put together were handed out to PEF board members to use. We continue to develop our base of users for the “My Shopping Genie” program. We currently have 39 users which is up from 32 a month ago. Usage of the program is going slower than expected and this appears to be the case at several other locations who have signed on. Dr. Lett reported that the originators of the program have offered anyone buyouts at this point if they don't think the program is going to work out for them. We will continue on for a few months yet and see if the Christmas season will spawn more usage. We did receive our first commission check pertaining to our August entry which amounted to \$4.20. Rhonda and Dr. Lett will investigate promoting the “My Shopping Genie” program at the local hospital bizarre and other like venues.

Scoring for Education:

Dr. Lett announced that First National Bank of Pana won the bid for all regular season boys and girls' varsity home games with a \$35 bid for each 3 point shot made. Peoples Bank was awarded the 6 specialty home games sponsorship at \$50 per 3 point shot made for the boys' games against Carlinville on 12-18 and Vandalia on 2-1 and the girls' games against Nokomis on 12-20, Greenville on 1-13 and Hillsboro on 1-31. In addition Peoples Bank will pay \$55 per 3 point shot made at the boys' game against Taylorville on 1-11. Jim Downs will try and develop parameters to allow individuals also to participate in the “Scoring for Education” program. Dr. Lett and Rhonda will check with different organizations that normally sell memberships and raffle chances at the games to make sure this wouldn't interfere with their fundraising efforts.

Next PEF Board meeting is set for Wednesday, December 15, 2010 at 7:00 AM at the Pana CUSD #8 office.

Motion to adjourn was made by Dunseth and seconded by Ishmael. All yes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 AM.

**2010-2011
Mini Grant Proposals**

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2. Audio Book Project Amanda Bjorling	District		\$350.00
3. Getting Smart With Smart Technology Gregg Cothem	Pana Senior High District 50%	\$1,280.50	\$2,561.00 \$1,280.50
4. Moon Buggy III Mr. Bonsor and Moon Buggy Team	Pana Senior High		\$1,000.00
5. Assessing Student Performance Using the Smart Board Kay Medley	Lincoln Elementary District 50%	\$921.00	\$1,842.00 \$921.00
6. Fuels of the Future Holly Bauman & Brian Wood	Pana Junior High		\$820.00
7. Expanding Wellness Through Technology Trevor Higgins	Pana Junior High District 1 Unit @	\$500.00	\$6,330.35 \$500.00
8. Tags of Achievement Deb Zueck	Jefferson Middle		\$900.00
9. Popcorn Machine Sarah Crosby & Leslie Clavin	Pana Junior High Machine Already Purchased By District		\$1,200.00- \$1,400.00
10. Signs for Sounds Rebecca Westerhouse	Lincoln Elementary		\$405.99
11. Respectful, Sage Ready to Learn Christine Sloan, Rebecca Westerhouse, Wendy Suey, Nancy Lehn, Janet Dionne	Lincoln Elementary		\$400.00
12. Research from Periodicals Susan Maziarz	Jefferson Middle		\$102.80
13. Smart Board Document Camera Jason Storm	Jefferson Middle	\$875.00	
	District to Provide Total Cost		
	Original Totals		\$17,385.14
	Revised Total	\$3,576.50	\$7,278.29
Totals for District and PEF		\$10,854.79	

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