



November 21, 2017

The Board of Directors of the Cedar Foundation met on Thursday, November 16, 2017, in the High School Conference Room at 5:30 PM. The following Cedar Foundation Board members were present: Ms. Deb Gingrich, Arthur Abrom, Ed.D., Dr. Jeff Yocum, Mr. Gidge Horn, Mr. Robert Nordall, Mrs. Sharon Swanger, Mr. Bob Hoffman, Mrs. Brown-Koehler, Mrs. Sherk and Mr. Matt Hershey. Mr. John Copenhaver, Mr. Mike Kuhn, Mrs. Deb Bowman, and Mrs. Jen Nordall were absent. Also present was Mrs. Harrell, Secretary.

- President Deb Gingrich called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Minutes

- The meeting minutes from Thursday, October 12, 2017 were reviewed. Dr. Yocum made a motion seconded by Mr. Nordall to approve the minutes from October 12, 2017. All members consented.

Financial Report

- The financial report for the period October 12, 2017 through November 15, 2017, was shared. Dr. Yocum made a motion seconded by Mr. Hoffman to approve the Financial Report as presented. All members consented.

Correspondence

- President Gingrich shared the “thank you” notes that were received.

By-Law Revisions

- Revisions to the by-laws were shared. A motion was made by Dr. Yocum and seconded by Mrs. Swanger to approve the changes. All members consented. A copy of the draft revised by-laws is attached to these minutes; they will be reviewed and approved by our School Board in December.

Nominations for Officers

- Dr. Abrom and the rest of the Cedar Foundation Board discussed whether or not a district employee should hold the position of President or Vice President? Mr. Nordall shared that he feels it is better to have a member of the community serve in this capacity. Dr. Yocum agreed, stating that this is better as it would avoid any conflict.
 1. Mr. Hoffman nominated Mr. Hershey for Vice-President, seconded by Rebecca Brown-Koehler. All members consented.
 2. The Board agreed that Mr. Richards, district business manager, shall remain the treasurer of the Cedar Foundation; and Mrs. Harrell, administrative assistant to the superintendent, shall be the Cedar Foundation secretary.
 3. Nominations will be held in August of each year.
 4. Officers will be voted on in September of each year. Officers may remain the same. The President and Vice-President positions shall not be school district employees.

➤ **Grant Applications**

The following requests was received and reviewed from last month:

1. The following LHS Students applied for a grant to help with the cost of the LHS trip to Latin America in 2018 (Panama, Nicaragua, Costa Rica):
 1. Peyton Arnold-Paine
 2. Jeffrey Deitzler
 3. Austin Drahovsky
 4. Helen Gomez
 5. Hailey Gonzalez
 6. Mackenzie Gonzalez
 7. Naomi Gonzalez Sarrano
 8. Todd Griffiths
 9. Jayda Hernandez
 10. Matthew Hoffman
 11. Neily Landman
 12. Jacob Marderness
 13. Liann Marie Melendez-Quinones
 14. Tatiana Quinones
 15. Collin Mentzer
 16. Ghada Mostafa
 17. Madison Robb
 18. Alyssa Scholtes
 19. Isaac Shavers
 20. Owen Showers
 21. ShanAnn Simmons
 22. Darrin Thompson
 23. Brett Walsh
 24. Skylur Wright
 25. Taileen Zechman

Dr. Yocum made a motion that the Cedar Foundation contribute \$250.00 to each student who goes on the trip, seconded by Mr. Hoffman. As we have limited funds, Mr. Hershey suggested that the Board take on asking outside donors for more funds to help these students. Of the additional money received, each student who goes on the trip is to receive an equal portion. If the amount raised exceeds \$500 for each student going on the trip, then at the discretion of the Board, the remaining balance will be given to those students who are short on funds. The following roll call vote was recorded:

Mrs. Swanger – Yes

Mrs. Brown-Koehler – Abstain

Mr. Hoffman – Yes

Mr. Horn – Yes

Mrs. Sherk – Abstain

Mr. Hershey – Yes

Mr. Nordall – Abstain

Mrs. Gingrich – Yes

Dr. Abrom – Abstain.

Email from Kendra Stouch

- President Gingrich shared this email that was received from Kendra.
I see that classroom furniture should be purchased through building budgets, however, I have done a lot of research on alternative seating. I would like to provide my struggling students with options of how to sit in

class so that they may focus better. I'm looking at Wobble Stools, Yoga balls, wedges or inflatable discs to put on the chairs, etc. I have many students whom fall every day because they won't/can't keep their chairs flat. They don't even know that they are leaning their chairs. I feel like a broken record telling them all the time to keep their chairs flat. I honestly feel that they can't help themselves. They have a hard time regulating and controlling their bodies. I believe providing these options could be the answer. Please let me know if this is something that I could apply for.

The Foundation Board feels that we must stick with our decision not to purchase classroom furniture. Also, the principal must be made aware of all requests. Mary will send an email to Ms. Stouch explaining the Foundation's decision not to provide funds for this initiative.

- Mrs. Swanger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Hoffman; the meeting adjourned at 6: 20 PM.

Future Meetings for 2017-2018– 5:30 at District Office:

- December ---- TBD If Needed
- **January 4**
- February 8
- March 8
- April 12
- May 10
- June – TBD If Needed

Respectfully submitted,

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