



April 12, 2019

The Board of Directors of the Cedar Foundation met on Thursday, April 9, 2019, in the Board Room at 5:30 PM. The following Cedar Foundation Board members were present: President Deb Gingrich, Mr. Mike Kuhn, Mr. Matt Hershey, Mr. Bob Hoffman, Mrs. Alison Sherk, Mr. Robert Nordall, Mrs. Jen Nordall, Mrs. Sherie Strohman, Mrs. Becky Brown-Koehler, Mrs. Sharon Swanger, Mr. John Copenhaver, Mrs. Deb Bowman and Dr. Abrom, Ex-officio-non-voting. Mr. Gidge Horn and Dr. Jeff Yocum were absent. Also present was Mary Harrell, Secretary; guests Kenny Montijo, United Way CEO and Sugra Bibi, United Way Director of Community Impact; and Megan Bergonzi.

- President Gingrich called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM.

Introductions

- Guests were present so Dr. Abrom asked for introductions.

Community Schools

- Dr. Abrom presented information to the board regarding opening a community schools, an initiative that Dr. Abrom is passionate about and started talking about over a year ago. The documents are attached to these minutes:
 1. Continuum Chart
 2. Guiding Principles
 3. What is a Community School?
- Dr. Abrom stated that Kenny Montijo and Sugra Bibi are here tonight because United Way would like to partner with Lebanon School District in opening a community school in Northwest Elementary and Lebanon Middle School. These two schools would become service hubs where partners would deliver services. Dr. Abrom's desire is for fairness to all students and families when it comes to wellness and success. He stated that a Community School Navigator is essential to make this work most impactful. How do we help support building the money to support community navigators?

- Mr. Montijo shared that United Way is excited about this partnership. He is asking the Cedar Foundation Board for financial support in the amount of \$10,000, which represents \$5,000 for each school. This money would be used to fund two community navigators for the community schools at Northwest and Lebanon Middle School.
- A motion was made by Mrs. Brown-Koehler and seconded by Mr. Matt Hershey to give Dr. Abrom permission to pursue the ability that the Cedar Foundation has to fund the request to donate \$10,000 to the Community Schools initiative. All members consented.

Minutes

- The meeting minutes from Tuesday, March 5, 2019, were reviewed. Mr. Kuhn made a motion seconded by Mr. Hershey to approve the minutes from March 5, 2019. All members consented.

Financial Report

- The financial report for the period March 5, 2019 through April 10, 2019, was shared. Mr. Kuhn made a motion seconded by Mr. Hoffman to approve the Financial Report as presented. All members consented.

Correspondence

- There was no new correspondence to share.
- President Gingrich shared congratulations to Cindy VanAken on being inducted into the Lebanon County Women's Hall of Fame.

Fundraising

- President Gingrich asked each member to email her their fundraising ideas and we will discuss at the May 9 meeting.

2019 Teacher Impact Award Nominations

- We received a total of twenty-one nominations. President Gingrich asked each Board member to give Mary the names of their top 5 choices. Mary will then tally and the top 3 will receive certificates presented by Dr. Abrom during Teacher Appreciation Week, which is May 6th through May 10th.

Grant Applications

- Michael Murphy, Assistant to the Superintendent submitted a grant in the amount of \$4,500 to pay for approximately twenty students to attend Camp Invention: Supercharged, a STEM based camp. A \$2,000 donation was previously received to help pay for this camp.

Mrs. Brown-Koehler made a motion to approve \$1,000 plus the \$2,000 that was donated in support of this project, seconded by Mr. Hoffman.

In discussing this project, the Board felt that this camp is very beneficial and they would like to change the previous motion.

Mrs. Brown-Koehler made a motion seconded by Mr. Kuhn to remove the first motion. All members consented.

Mr. Hoffman made a motion seconded by Mrs. Brown-Koehler to approve this grant up to \$2,500, plus the donated \$2,000, contingent upon receiving the proper paperwork consistent with #9 of our bylaws. All members consented.

- Luke Topping, LHS Teacher, applied for a grant in the amount of \$600 to pay for the transportation to take approximately thirty high school students to the Philadelphia Museum of Art. Mr. Kuhn made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Hoffman. Mr. Nordall and Mrs. Sherk abstained. The motion passed.
- Loredana Teleguz, SW Teacher, applied for a grant in the amount of \$704 to pay for the transportation to take eighty-two 2nd grade students at Southwest to Gretna Glen. Mr. Hershey made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Nordall. All members consented.
- Kelley Beard, NW Teacher, applied for a grant in the amount of \$1,000 to pay for the transportation to take Girls on the Run and Heart and Soul to the K5 event at F & M College. Mr. Kuhn made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Copenhagen. Mrs. Nordall abstained. The motion passed.
- Sabrina Ramirez, STEM Teacher at NW, applied for a grant in the amount of \$1,000 to cover the cost to host a Science Explorers night for fifty to seventy-five students and parents. Mrs. Brown-Koehler made a motion to approve, seconded by Mrs. Bowman. Mrs. Nordall abstained. The motion passed.
- Jodi Hill, NW Teacher, applied for a grant in the amount of \$500 to pay for the transportation to take one hundred twelve 1st grade students to the Hershey Zoo. Mr. Kuhn made a motion, seconded by Mr. Nordall. Mrs. Nordall abstained. The motion passed.
- Sue Bowman, LHS Teacher, applied for a grant in the amount of \$,1000 to pay for student research and planetarium management. Mr. Kuhn made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hoffman to approve the \$1,000 request with the contingency that Ms. Bowman follow through with the high school principal to find matching funds. All members consented.

- Mr. Nordall made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Bowman; the meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.
- Mr. Nordall made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hoffman, to accept Megan Bergonzi as our newest Board member. All members consented. Welcome Megan!

Future Meetings for 2018-2019– 5:30 at District Office:

- May 9
- June 13
- July – scheduled as needed

Respectfully submitted,

Mary A. Harrell
Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent

Distinguished Alumni List:

- The following Alumni names have been submitted and will remain part of the meeting minutes:
 - Mr. George Christianson, Class of 1953
 - Dr. Jeff Yocum, Class of 1973
 - Dr. Robert Lau, Class of 1961
 - Judge Robert Eby, Class of 1962
 - Judy Bamberger, Class of 1970 - 2608 Harris Avenue, Richland WA 99354
Judith.Bamberger@pnl.gov (509-375-6240)
 - Judge Brad Charles, Class of 1974
 - John Feather, Class of 1964
 - Phil Feather, Class of 1953
 - Robert Fortna, Class of 1967
 - Richard D. Fields, Class of 1942 – Harrison Junior High School Principal