

# Ellensburg School District Education Foundation

Board Meeting Agenda • Tuesday, May 7 • 5:15 p.m.  
MMS Principal's Office

Present: Mike, Dick, Michelle, Mary, Maureen

Excused: Troy

Guest: Bill Stovall

Prospective board member Marvin Douvier-Johnston unable to attend due to jury duty.

Mike called the meeting was called to order at 5:17.

## OPENING AGENDA ITEMS

- Welcome and Call to Order – Mike welcomed guest Bill Stovall to discuss the college debt fund he and Mrs. Stovall established in 2023 (see discussion under New Business, Stovall Scholarship, below).
- Approval of April minutes: Mary moved to accept the minutes as written, Michelle seconded. Motion passed.

## MONTHLY REPORTS

- Treasurer's Report – Dick  
Awaiting April statement. There was discussion regarding the foundation nonprofit status in terms of the Wahle scholarship situation (funds not released). Plan B is to simply have Wahle write a check to cover the award.
- Superintendent's Update – None

## COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTIVITIES

- Board recruitment-Mike suggested the following roles for new board members:
- Caring Cupboard – Quiet in terms of recent requests per Mary (one drop in April). \$1100 spent in Feb/March.
- Facebook - See schedule. Maureen will post for staff appreciation week.
- Fundraiser – Planning retreat scheduled (see below, New Business)
- Learning Enhancement Awards- Michelle
  - May 15 Apps Available
  - Michelle is updating and streamlining applications. Will consider asking questions regarding applicants ESDEF engagement. Discussion on how to get more buy-in from building administrators. It was decided to require recipients to present on their project, either at a subsequent board meeting or at the annual meeting in April.
- Scholarships – Mike requested feedback on applications by next week.
- Staff Appreciation – Maureen
  - Connections with Parent Groups to collaborate on activities
  - Foundation contributed \$150 to all elementary schools, MMS, and Maintenance and Transportation appreciation events. Mary supplied placard to display at each school. No luck finding a partner for staff appreciation at EHS (there is currently no activities director).

**FACEBOOK CONTENT SCHEDULE 2023-2024**

MONTH	CONTENT	CREATOR
May	Teacher Appreciation	Maureen
June	Year End Highlights	Dick
July	Bookmobile	Maureen
August	Caring Cupboard	Mary
September	Back to School/Year Ahead	Mike
October	Past LEA Winners	Dick
November	LEA Grants	Michelle
December	LEA Winners	Maureen
January	Pre-SBWU, Youth Awards	Mary, Mike
February	Post SBWU	Michelle
March	Youth Awards	Mike
April	Scholarships	Mike
May	Teacher Appreciation	Maureen

### **New Board Roles:**

Tile Wall  
Facebook/PR  
Fall BBQ  
SBWU piece?

- Website – Mary will update the pages with LEA information and meeting minutes.
- Youth Awards – no report at this time

## **OLD BUSINESS**

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## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Stovall Scholarship  
Bill reported he and Mrs. Stovall were pleased with the 2023 recipient. He asked about younger educators. It was noted that they were required to have had a minimum of three years in the district to avoid awarding to someone not planning to stay. Bill encouraged the addition of language to award an educator who is producing community-minded students. He would also like the recipient to be first generation and a classroom teacher. 2024 applications will go out in September 2024 with an October 2024 award date.
- Chamber Meeting Report: Maureen met with CoC board VP David Chamberlin to discuss how the CoC can help raise community awareness of the ESDEF and its community support. Suggestions included meeting 1:1 with a member of the chamber staff, and seeking a small grant to help with public relations and PR. Maureen will schedule a meeting with chamber staff.
- ESD 105 Awards ceremony –Troy nominated the foundation for a WASA region 5 community service award through ESD 105. The awards dinner is on May 16 at the Yakima Country Club. Mike, Mary, and Maureen will attend.
- Dr. David Rolfe Meeting Report (Mike)
  - Game Prizes suggested for competitions.
  - CWU offer to do video/media!
- Advanced Planning
  - No general meetings in July or August
  - Summer Retreat Date: Friday, July 12, 8-11 a.m.
  - SBKO Retreat Date: Wednesday, July 24, 5-8 p.m.
  - November Meeting – LEA Selection (Whole Meeting Agenda)
  - December Meeting – SBWU Planning (Whole Meeting Agenda)

## **CONCLUSION**

- For the Good of the Order
- Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

**Next meeting: June 4, 2024, Morgan Principal's Office, 5:15 pm**

Michelle Bibich • Mary Gordon • Mike McCloskey  
• Maureen Rust • Troy Tornow • Dick Wedin