

**SEVEN OAKS EDUCATION FOUNDATION, INC.
Meeting Tuesday, April 17, 2012
5:00 Seven Oaks School Division Board Room
830 Powers Street**

MINUTES

Present:

Margaret Brett, President
Irv Simmonds Vice President
Wayne Shimizu, Treasurer
Pat Stefanchuk, Past President
Dawne Smithson, Secretary
Ajit Kaur Deol O.M., Director
Bernie Gowryluk, Director
Kraig Hillis, Director
Cam MacIver, Director
Steve Medwick, Director
Fran Taylor, Director
Harriet Zaidman, Director

Regrets:

Ted Ash, Director
Mario Coquete
Ramona Gallos
Jerry Maslowsky

Margaret Brett called the meeting to order at 5:05 pm.

**1. Approval of Agenda
Wayne Shimizu/Irv Simmonds**

That the agenda for the meeting be adopted as listed.

Carried.

**2. Approval of Minutes of Annual General Meeting March 13, 2012
Steve Medwick/Ajit Deol**

That the minutes of the March 13, 2012 Annual General meeting be approved as distributed.

Carried

**3. Approval of Minutes of Meeting March 13, 2012
Margaret Brett/Harriet Zaidman**

That the minutes of the March 13, 2012 regular meeting be approved as distributed.

Carried.

4. Correspondence

Margaret stated that the correspondence folder is being circulated for the committee's review.

5. Financial Report

Wayne reviewed the Balance Sheet as at March 31, 2012. Discussion took place on the Bud Spud. It was noted that there was a larger number of walk ups this year than in previous years. Discussion took place on offering an incentive to buy tickets in advance.

6. Publications Committee

Pat noted that there are three publications annually. She stated that the committee felt the best times for publication would be in the fall, in February and the other at the end of May. Ted, Irv and Pat will meet to discuss potential topics for the newsletter.

Ideas were put forward, including; Toby Cracknell award recipient; an article on a past recipient of a SOEF scholarship who went on to be successful; a historical look at SOEF; and an article on the need to raise dollars to increase fundraising awareness were discussed.

Pat stated that she would review the list of past recipients to determine potential for stories. Wayne stated that one article could speak to the mission, and values of SOEF. Margaret stated that she could assist Pat with this.

7. Fund Raising

Margaret stated that a draft proposal and potential list of individuals and organizations to be approached had been developed. The Fund Raising Committee will meet to review.

8. Scholarships

Margaret stated that SOEF had received two requests for scholarship funding. Steve provided a description of the MET program and indicated that Garden City is the only school in Canada which is offering the program.

Margaret stated that she would ask Adair Warren to come to the May meeting to make a presentation on the program. She stated that they are hoping for scholarship funding for June of this year so a determination would need to be made at the May meeting.

The other scholarship request was the Graduation Pow Wow Scholarship. Fran noted that the Pow Wow is not just for aboriginal students, and that all students are welcome. She stated that as yet, no criteria had been developed for the scholarship. It was noted that a structure for the scholarship would have to be developed before it could be

considered. Wayne stated that he was going to be meeting them on April 19th and he and Fran would provide further info at the May meeting.

9. Winnipeg Foundation Report

Wayne reviewed the reports which had been provided from the Winnipeg Foundation, including the interim reports for the period October 2011 – January 2012 and the fund summary report for the period ended March 13, 2012.

10. New Business


Steve Medwick provided an update on scholarship support for the Tallman Foundation. He noted they are providing scholarship \$5,000 funding for two students for all three high schools in Seven Oaks, for a four year period. He stated that the criteria are not based on academic achievement, but rather on a deserving student who wants to go to university.

Margaret stated that the Graduation ceremony dates were: West Kildonan, June 21; Garden City, June 22nd and Maples June 25th. They are being held at the Centennial Concert Hall. She stated that SOEF would like to have a representative at each of the ceremonies.

The next meeting of the board of Directors is Tuesday, May 8th, 2012.



President



Secretary