

Seven Oak Education Foundation
Meeting Tuesday, January 14, 2014
Board Room, Seven Oak School Division

Minutes

Present: Irv Simmonds, Vice President
Wayne Shimizu, Treasurer
Dawne Smithson, Secretary
Ted Ash, Director
Lorena Galante, Director
Kraig Hillis, Director
Steve Medwick, Director
Avrum Senensky, Director
Harriet Zaidman, Director

Regrets: Margaret Brett, President
Pat Stefanchuk, Past President
Cory Juan, Director
Ajit Kaur Deol, O.M.
Bernie Gowryluk, Director
Ramona Gallos, Honorary Life Member
Fran Taylor, Director

Guest: Edie Wilde, Assistant Superintendent, Seven Oaks School Division

In Margaret's absence, Irv Simmonds acted as chair and called the meeting to order.

1. Approval of Agenda

Irv stated that item #7 Scholarships will be moved up to item #3 on the agenda.

Kraig Hillis/Wayne Shimizu that the amended agenda for the meeting be adopted as listed. **Carried**

2. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes November 13, 2013

Wayne Shimizu/Avrum Senesky that the minutes of November 12, 2013 meeting be approved. **Carried**

3. Scholarships

Wayne introduced Edie Wilde, Assistant Superintendent Seven Oaks School Division, who was at the meeting to speak to the scholarship for the Campus Life Program. She indicated that at the present time the Campus Life Scholarship is only available for students who attend the University of Manitoba. She stated that Red River Community College is starting a program for special needs students in the fall of 2014 and she was at the meeting to request that the parameters for the scholarship be amended to include students who attend Red River Community College. Discussion ensued on the intent of the scholarship and the committee was satisfied that amending the guidelines to include any post secondary institution would be in keeping with the intent of the scholarship.

Dawne Smithson/Harriet Zaidman that the guidelines for the Campus Life Scholarship be amended to include attendance at any post secondary institution.

Carried

4. Publications

Ted circulated the most recent edition of the newsletter (Fall/Winter 2013) which had been sent to committee members previously. He indicated that planning is underway for a spring 2014 newsletter, which will focus on members of the board and updates on fundraising, including the upcoming Spud Steak Beverage event.

5. Fund Raising

Spud Steak Beverage Event – February 7, 2014

Wayne stated that information on the event has been circulated to all the schools. Fran Taylor was unable to attend today's meeting but has indicated to Wayne that talent is well in hand. A list is being circulated of volunteer requirements and times for the event and committee members are asked to indicate a time that works for them. Silent auction prizes will be put together on the Wednesday prior to the event and any one available is welcome to assist. Wayne has solicitation letter for those that need them and also has tickets for the event. He stated that committee members can drop off any prizes they have for the event with Norma so she can catalogue them.

Wayne stated that the major raffle auction prize will be 300,000 Avion points.

Super Bowl Raffle

Ted stated that he has received money for 362 tickets to date and that there are a large number of tickets outstanding. He asked that committee members hand in their tickets

as soon as they can with a deadline date for receipt of all tickets of January 31, 2014. Tickets and money can be handed in direct to Ted or left with Norma. Ted will monitor the scores and contact the winners. Ted stated that tickets sales at Garden City Shopping Centre were slow. He thanked committee members who participated in the event.

6. Financial Report

Wayne reviewed the financial report for the period ending December 31, 2013. He stated there are a number of investments which will be maturing at RBC and he will be meeting with Lorena to review them. Ted cautioned that the committee needs to ensure it retains sufficient revenue to cover upcoming expenses. Wayne indicated that he will ensure that happens.

7. Winnipeg Foundation Report

Wayne stated that the Winnipeg Foundation report had been circulated in advance. He stated that the Annual Agency Breakfast is scheduled for May 7, 2014 and that he and the Margaret had been invited to attend. He stated that the format had changed from previous years and the agenda focuses primarily on how to promote your organization to increase fundraising capacity.

Wayne stated that in previous years Susan Hagemester, Director of Finance, Winnipeg Foundation had attended a committee meeting to speak to the Foundation's investments with Winnipeg Foundation. He asked if the committee would like to invite her to speak this year. The committee was in agreement that Susan should be asked to speak at an upcoming meeting.

8. New Business

Nominating Committee – A nominating committee was established consisting of Pat, Wayne and Irv. Harriet stated that she would approach Albert Yanofsky to determine his interest in joining the committee.

9. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 11, 2014, 5:00 pm at the Board Room, Seven Oaks School Division.



President



Secretary