



Fowler Public Schools Education Foundation  
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## Foundation Board Meeting Notes Monday, June 3, 2019

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### **In Attendance:**

Board Members: Amy Epkey, Lori Hyland, Dan Schmitt, Scott Thelen  
Community Members: Patty Schmitt

**Absent Board Members:** John Morse, Kristin Phillips, Jason Smith

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### **1. Meeting Overview**

Chairperson Amy Epkey called the meeting to order at 6:00. She explained this is the last meeting until the fall so the majority of the meeting will be focused on the insurance quote and any items that require attention prior to the fall.

### **2. Insurance Quote**

Mike Spicer, Michigan Farm Bureau, provided an overview of Nonprofit Directors and Officers Liability Insurance. A quote of \$558 was provided for \$500,000 of coverage. The board decided to hold off on taking a vote at this time.

### **3. Approval of May Meeting Minutes**

Scott Thelen made a motion to approve the May meeting minutes with the addition of Lori and Jason included as absent and the change of Weber to Epkey. Dan seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

### **4. Treasurer's Report**

There was discussion regarding the \$2,439 payment to the school that John made for the 2018 grants. In addition, an email was sent regarding a \$100 donation through United Way. Amy will coordinate with John to assure the deposit occurred and the donor receives notification.

### **5. Grant Process and Teacher Appreciation Breakfast**

Amy will coordinate with Neil to determine when the teachers beginning of the year meeting will occur. An email will then be sent to board members to determine if the board would like to once again provide breakfast to the teachers and use the breakfast as an opportunity to announce the grant cycle. Grant applications will be due October 1.

### **6. Waldron Bulletin Board**

Patty mentioned the need for updated pictures on the Waldron bulletin board promoting the foundation. Amy will coordinate with Kristin and John on getting pictures printed. In addition, a new sign is needed. The current sign is 47 x 24.

### **7. Laingsburg Challenge**

Once the date of the Laingsburg football game is known, Amy will reach out to the Laingsburg Foundation to see if there is interest in the football challenge again this year. An email will then be sent to board members.

**8. Post Cards**

While the board continues to like the idea of using post cards to promote the foundation, an overall outreach strategy is needed. Amy will discuss with Kristin. In addition, Patty mentioned there are approximately 40 coolers left.

**9. Legal and Audit Representation**

The foundation is still in need of assistance with an audit and legal representation. The individuals contacted were not interested. Amy will discuss placing a post on Facebook with Kristin.

**10. Upcoming Meetings and Agenda Topics**

The October 7 meeting will focus on the selection of grants. The November 4 meeting will focus on the letter campaign and the casino bus trip. Dan Schmitt will coordinate with Vern Thelen regarding the possibility of additional promotion regarding the casino trip. The December 2 meeting will focus on recapping the year, upcoming goals, and future meeting dates.

**11. Other**

Patty Schmitt provided Amy Epkey with a key to the PO box. Both Dan and Amy now have keys.

**12. Adjourned**

Chairperson Amy adjourned the meeting at 7:12 pm.