**GRAFTON EDUCATION FOUNDATION**

**ANNUAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**Juice’s Ghost Town**

**June 18, 2018**

**7:00 p.m.**

**APPROVED**

1. **Call to Order – Mike Donahue**

The meeting was called to order by Mike Donahue at 7:02pm

1. **Introduction of Guests - All
Board of Directors Present:** Tammy Taylor, Amanda Olejniczak, Ann Roskos, Tracy Brogelman, Joanne Ward, Michelle Bigler, April Shanks, Lisa Tagliapietra, Mike Donahue

**Board of Directors Excused:** Chris Hogan, Renee Riddle

**Members Present:** Mary Helen Hogan, Erin Schumaker, Jo Maehl, Bob Hoffman

**Guests Present:** Karen Powell

1. **Minutes of Previous Board Meetings (May)**

The meeting minutes from May were approved

1. **Treasurers Report – Ann Roskos**

Color Blast summary of sponsors presented and their levels of sponsorship

About $10000 profit currently, with a couple thousand more coming (American Family will need more time as the sponsorship needs to be approved/processed)

Some minor expenses for the month of May noted on the financial statement

The financials through May were approved by the Board of Directors

1. **GEF Board of Directors Recruiting**

It was suggested that we continue with the school liaisons on the Board to have the communication with the schools and to make sure we are listening to the concerns of the faculty.

It is important, as we move into the 2018-2019 school year, to bring as much attention as possible to the GEF with the changes that are occurring with the district.

We will have a table at the Registration Days at GHS

GEF participation in teacher back to school in service meeting, as well as at the back to school nights for each individual school would help with visibility

GEF Board member/member presence at the School Board meetings (4th Monday of every month) – Lisa will create a Sign Up survey to ensure one member is available at each meeting

Will need someone to take the role of Correspondence Secretary (handles donor tools, thank you letters for individual and corporate donors, STH donations, etc)

1. **GES Salvage Project update**

Lisa reported that the event was a success – about $3500 was received

It was excellent to have GEF involved in such a significant event in the district

The Atlas owner, Mike, is interested in buying the gym floor to re-do his table tops at the restaurant

The shop teacher at GHS offered to build things with the wood floor, as well (if flooring was left, make a bar to auction off at the Soupor Bowl)

Bob got the old GEF banner from GES, as well

1. **Grant Proposal Guidelines proposed changes**Good ideas, good changes discussed at the bylaws committee

The bylaws committee will meet in the near future to discuss the bylaws, Grant proposal guidelines, as well as the school liaison requirements for the upcoming years

1. **2018 Color Blast Recap– Lisa Tagliapietra 5/21/18**

Positive event, 620 registered – about 400 showed up for the event (due to rain)

Jill’s family was appreciative of the event

CEF approached Lighthouse Events about hosting a Color Blast. Should they do a Color Blast – maybe we change our event to a foam run or bubble run

Sponsorships could decrease as the sponsors would be solicited by each foundation

1. **Prize Patrol Recap 5/21/18**

The drum roll, the energy, the large GEF presence made this year very special

The classrooms and students were very excited for the presentations

Checks can be used in the 4th of July parade – need a lot of people to be able to hold the checks

Tammy will follow up with Renee about News Graphic coverage or publicity of the event

1. **Soupor Bowl Discussion**

Erin and Karen will co-chair the Soupor Bowl event for 2019

April and Lisa will also be involved in the event with some of their previous roles

Bob will be a co-chair for the Reverse Raffle (Erin has a co-chair possibility)

Katie and Mary Helen will handle Apples

Mike Cibulka will be contacted by Mike D. to see if he will continue sponsorship

Pre-marketing/Social media requires a chair to ensure more publicity (especially with silent auction)

Pam King will likely help out with the write ups and pictures and uploaded to Gesture for auction

Make sure to confirm room reservation

Double check with Renee about having the banner advertisement secured with the village for 2 weeks prior to event

When we have identified the Fund-A-Need, we need to have approved by Rick.

1. **School Board Meeting Updates - Josephine Maehl**

August 22nd for construction to be completed on useable areas of the schools

Bridges (a new Math curriculum at the schools) has been discussed – involves a lot of collaboration. This will not be an online curriculum. Students with similar levels/skills should be able to work together to better understand the math lessons. Teachers seem to be excited about this change to the curriculum.

Public private sponsorships (finding private sponsors or teams to sponsor certain aspects within the district that aren’t covered by the referendum, ex: getting turf for sports fields – will the Athletic Booster Club support?). This would entitle some of the sponsors to naming rights.

1. **Additional Committee Reports - All**Tracy will start Seeds to Harvest

Will need help from someone with Donor Tools – someone that can handle software

Tracy will draft the letter and find the photos – will need someone to help with the mail merge with Digital Edge

Donor Tools – Michelle and/or Mary Helen will help with STH

1. **Other Matters - All**

Our meetings will continue to be held the 3rd Monday of every month

Our next meeting is July 16th at 7pm

Michelle is getting candy for the parade at Vick’s Candy Warehouse– jolly ranchers, airheads, tootsie rolls (something small to make candy stretch longer)

Can we use images from the Soupor Bowl, Color Blast, and Prize Patrol to create posters – put up at school nights, registrations, etc. Can be displayed at the schools near the offices as well

Mike is going to look at the Apple Basket (originally intended to track the Seeds to Harvest donations) – if in good condition, we will place by district office in September to track our 2018-2019 year of STH donations. Will need a banner next to it to describe the event (ex: “help us fill our bushel”)

1. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8: 29pm