

GRAFTON EDUCATION FOUNDATION, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
September 10, 2013

GHS Library Media Center

I. Call to Order

B. Hoffman called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. This is a regular meeting of the Board of Directors.

Voting Board Members Present: Mike Cibulka, Bob Dunning, Bob Hoffman, Julia McNally, Renee Riddle (late), Karen Walton

Voting Board Members Excused: Mike Donahue

Non-Voting Board Members Present: April Shanks

Guests Present: Lisa La Master

II. Previous Meeting Minutes

B. Hoffman submitted the minutes from the August 13, 2013 meeting for review. K. Walton made a motion that B. Dunning seconded to approve the minutes. The motion carried 6-0. B. Hoffman reminded everyone that Steve McDonnell has moved to Green Bay and will no longer be recording the minutes.

III. Children's Resale – Pam Wizarde

P. Wizarde was unable to attend the meeting, and did not provide a report on the upcoming Children's Resale event. A suggestion was made that we add a "no hassle" feature to the resale. People could donate their items and bring them Friday evening. We would then separate the items into three or four price categories, and place colored tags on them to indicate the price. The items could be set up on a specially marked table.

The boys basketball scrimmage is scheduled for the week after the Resale, there will not be a large bake sale, maybe just coffee and pastries.

IV. Portraits in the Park – Julia McNally

J. McNally reported that the online registration is going well thanks to the web page that Steve Vepraskas developed for the Portraits in

the Park. As of today 20 sittings have been purchased compared with 29 last year. Julia said that there are still openings.

V. Seeds to Harvest – Bob Dunning

Bob Dunning reported that in addition to the Seeds to Harvest letter in the next issue of the Chalkboard, he plans to distribute the letter to people in the Foundation's data base that do not have a 53024 Zip Code. It will be mailed to the 559 people who we have postal addresses, and emailed to the other 270 people. In addition he will mail the letter to approximately 300 people in the Chamber of Commerce's data base.

VI. Soupor Bowl – Renee Riddle

Renee Riddle reported that a portion of the Soupor Bowl committee met to start planning for next year's event.

VII. Term Limits for Board Members – Bob Hoffman

All eight board members were not present at the meeting, so this item was not discussed.

VIII. Honorary Board Members – Bob Hoffman

All eight board members were not present at the meeting, so this item was not discussed.

IX. Other Matters

B. Hoffman reported that he is working with Pam King of the Grafton Area Chamber of Commerce and Julie Tonkovitz, Director of External Affairs for AT&T Wisconsin, about a possible grant from the AT&T Foundation. Grafton High School principal, Ken McCormick would like to expand last year's initial Manufacturing Career Day to include tours of local manufacturing facilities this year. Buses are needed to transport the students at a cost of \$3000.

The AT&T Foundation has allocated money nationwide to fund programs that prepare high school students who are not planning to attend college for careers after they graduate. The foundation's by-laws do not allow them to give grants to school districts, they can contribute only to 501 (C) (3) non-profit corporations.

Bob indicated that he is in the process of applying for a \$3000 grant from the AT&T Foundation. If the Grafton Education Foundation receives the grant, it would make a restricted donation of \$3000 to the Grafton School District for the purpose of funding the Grafton High School Career Day bus trips.

Bob reminded everyone of discussions at previous GEF Board meetings about expanding the scope of the GEF to include seeking funding for the needs of the school district in addition to the needs identified by teachers in their grant applications.

A question was asked if the GEF mascot would be ready for the Resale, and Bob Hoffman indicated that it would be ready.

X. Adjournment

J. McNally made a motion that K. Walton seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:15. The motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Hoffman
Interim Recording Secretary