**GRAFTON EDUCATION FOUNDATION**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**GHS Library Media Center**

**September 18, 2017**

**7:00 p.m.**

**UNAPPROVED**

1. **Call to Order – Mike Donahue**

Meeting called to order at 7:02pm

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

**Board of Directors Excused**: Renee Riddle

**Members Present**: Bob Hoffman, Mary Helen Hogan, Chris Hogan, Jo Maehl, Lisa Tagliapietra, Dianna Kresovic (School District liaison)

**Guests**: Erin Schumacher

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

The minutes were approved with changes (Lisa T. will be the sole chair of ColorBlast, with the help of Bob H.)

1. **School-Pak Overview – Gene Schulist & Erin Schumaker**

All school supplies needed for the children will come in a large bag (the glue is in a small bag within the larger bag). 99% Accuracy rate on the bagged items.

How much more expensive? One person spent $200 at Walmart this year, it would have been $150 through SchoolPak. Gene believes that their prices will be lower as they shop when the supplies are on sale.

Folders labeled with “Stay at home” or “back to school”; Laake & Joy makes the pencil cases

Tries to get materials that teachers need for their class (ex: ear buds, graphing calculators, etc)

5% goes back to the school. Parents can add any amount as an extra donation to the order. Extra money would go back to GEF (ex: round up to the next dollar, then add $1, $2, $5, etc.). Pay with Mastercard, Visa, Discover, Paypal, American Express.

Can order online once school supply lists are finalized until June 8th. Would be ready to go out by school registration day. Can order until July for home delivery.

They also rent buzzer systems – for classes that want to have Trivia, etc. at no cost if we go with them for the school supplies.

Erin will check into options for people who want to pay by check, or if a family moves out of town, or buying for a child in need.

As a group, we decided that this would be a great idea and a good option for a fundraiser. Giving out to families at registration would allow for enough time to label supplies before school begins. Dianna K. will take this back to the district for approval.

1. **Treasurers Report – Ann Roskos**

10 total families signed up for family portraits. Possible 5 more in September.

$84 came in for Seeds to Harvest

1. **Election to Board – Michelle Bigler**All board of directors were in favor of Michelle becoming a new board member
2. **School Board Meeting Updates - Josephine Maehl**Ground breaking ceremony last week, student council members from each school

Superintendent meets with each school every week

Working on our Board goals

Mike Donahue and Barb Josie nominated to the Hall of Fame

Homecoming week this week

1. **Seeds to Harvest Update for 2017 - Tracy Brogelman**

Half printed and envelopes stuffed

3 letter variations, just under 2000 letters with inserts to be going out last week

Sean has put all information on the website as well

1. **Soupor Bowl 1/27/18 – Mike Donahue**January 27, 2018 at the Cedars Bowling in Cedarburg

April S. will do all of the same tasks she completed last year

Lisa T. will work with emailing for sponsorship and donation items

Mike D. will reach out to Mike C. to see about sponsorship

Mary Helen and Chris H. will be working on soup and gathering soup

Pam King will also help with this event (will not solicit money)

Live auction items – possible team up with another member to find new items for this auction

(scavenger hunt, goodie bag from teacher who student will get)

Will need to renew the raffle license – Mike will get a check from Anne.

Move our raffle sales from 200 to 250 tickets – Board members will need to sell raffle tickets

1. **2017 Grant Update – Tammy Taylor**

Tammy, Dianna, Laura – what are the needs in the district, are there areas in need for some larger grants from the GEF.

2018 Grant cycle – application is out there for the teachers (deadline is March 1st).

Will the district give teachers time to fill out the application?

Dianna is checking to see if there is money left in the district to help those teachers that were not awarded grants from the GEF.

Teachers are supposed to know by January 18, 2018 about where they will be for the 2018-2019 school year.

Would we be able to make a video this year as we have officially awarded more than $200,000 in grants? Could we go into classes? Have a video at the Soupor Bowl?

1. **Portraits in the Park**

Final numbers have not come in from Lisa – the estimate is 20 families

1. **2018 Color Blast**

Lighthouse Events – keep it in the spring. Maybe move it to John Long.

Lisa will check with Jeff about Mon May 21st or Tues May 22nd at John Long.

1. **Additional Committee Reports - All**Get rid of the Ramen Noodles and get more candy. Still have labels for Save the Date

Green Apple Air Heads (36 for $8.99) or Caramel Apple suckers

Michelle B. will check at candy wholesale story in Milwaukee

Will try to get donations of these candy items.

Will use Tammy’s truck in the parade, soup mascot and Grant mascot.

1. **Other Matters - All**

Lisa – talked with Lucky Star workshop about repurposing the “G” in the GES gym. Could we raffle off the GES bleachers to make a coffee table, bookshelf, etc?

Will need to go to the Board if we want to claim anything from GES. They are going to try and salvage and reuse as much as possible.

The soup bowls will be made again this year – April suggested 125 bowls be made (She buys premade, the children glaze them). Motions were made and approved to buy 125 bowls and glaze.

1. **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 8: 44pm.