

Byng Excellence in Education Foundation Regular Board Meeting

Mercy Office, 2020 E. Arlington, Suite 7

September 12, 2018, 7 a.m.

1. Call to Order: Vice-President Sonya Stokes called the meeting to order in the absence of President Sandra Looper
2. Invocation: Darryl Hatcher
3. Roll Call/Quorum Determination: A quorum was determined. Attending board members were Sonya Stokes, Betty Allred, Lacy LaFever, Mark Davis, Darryl Hatcher, Carol Williamson. Advisory members were Todd Crabtree, Staci Capps, Cindy Geiger, Kaleb Gordon, Courtney White, Sunny Swope, Janice Presley.
4. Action on August, 2018, minutes: Mark Davis made the motion to accept the minutes with second by Lacy LaFever. Motion carried.
5. Action on August, 2018, treasurer's report: Betty Allred made the motion to accept the report with second by Darryl Hatcher. Motion carried.
6. President's Report: **(A)** Online Facebook Challenge with Staci Capps taping Becky McEwin making a short video challenge to her former/current students/parents/colleagues was tabled. Stokes recommended the goal/challenge amount/length of time needed a full discussion with Looper present since little information is available now. **(B)** T-shirts and new brochures have arrived and many have been distributed. Kaleb reported that the stationery and popup banners are to arrive by this weekend or early next week. Delay of these was caused by the color sent by e-mail; the color was not the one ordered and was distorted. Kaleb's resorting to requiring hard copies finally corrected the problem. **(C)** Jaci Harris at Homer Elementary requested two board members to serve as judges for robotics competition on November 12 from 4-7 p.m. Betty Allred and Lacy LaFever volunteered to be judges. **(D)** Betty Allred reported that she substituted for Courtney White. Tenth graders cooperated really well and attended to the lessons planned by Mrs. White. The structure of the class shows that students know that the teacher has high expectations of them.
7. Ongoing Business:; **(A)** Mark Davis, chair for Teacher Grants, distributed copies of the new guidelines and online grant form. He pointed out that the recommended budget for grants is now \$10,000 with \$1000 to be the limit for both individual and collaborative grants. He and his committee feel that more teachers will receive grants since some teachers will apply for classroom supplies, which will probably be for small amounts. Staci Capps asked that the word *technology*, which is point #4 under "How funds may be applied" be changed to *materials*. Darryl Hatcher made the motion to accept the new guidelines and application with the recommended change; Carol Williamson second. Motion carried. **(B)** Staci Capps reported on the planned art work contest. Currently the principals have the information on grants for art. The guidelines state that Kelli (?) Pennington will provide art instruction that will result in submissions to be judged. Staci states that that BEEF can also apply for the Art Grant. The winning art work can be used by BEEF to recognize students' achievements. **(C)** Darryl Hatcher said that he will represent the Development Committee as a part of the phone conference with Brian Gabbard, strategic planner provided as part of the grant from the Chickasaw Nation. Sandra Looper will also be part of the conference. Working from OKC,

Gabbard has vital details about BEEF and will help explore ways to move the foundation forward. **(D)** Darryl led the discussion concerning the differentiation between members and donors. He said the Development Committee needs to meet and work out details. It was agreed that members need to be donors, perhaps paying a membership fee. **(E)** The Oklahoma Foundation for Excellence in Education Fall Forum is scheduled for October 23 at Norman. Those interested in attending need to check the website for the reservation form.

8. Next Meeting: October 10, 2018 Darryl Hatcher made the motion to adjourn; Betty Allred second.

Respectfully submitted by Betty Allred, secretary