

Byng Excellence in Education Foundation

June 30, 2018, 8:30 a.m.

Byng Central Office Conference Room

Yearly Planning Meeting

1. Call to Order: President Sandra Looper and members shared information about their t-shirts. Refreshments of doughnuts, fruit, and juice were available.

2. Attendance (Quorum met): Sandra Looper, Brandon Tilley, Darryl Hatcher, Staci Capps, Carol Williamson, Betty Allred, Kaleb Gordon, Lacy LaFevers, Janice Presley, Mark Davis, Raeanne Caron.

3. Invocation: Carol Williamson

4. Current Updates:

a. Meetings: 2018-2019 monthly meetings will be held the second Wednesday of each month at 7 a.m. in the Mercy Hospital office on E. Arlington. **Turn in to the strip of offices just east of the drive to The River church. On the north end of the north/south row of office, the Mercy office building is a separate building that faces south. Please park facing west in front of the east/west offices.** The Oklahoma Foundation for Excellence Fall Forum at OU is Oct. 23.

b. Upcoming Online Auction: Sandra will post the painting of the cow on FaceBook in July. Darryl Hatcher donated the art.

c. Pending Meeting: Sandra will contact Governor Annoatubby in July using e-mail. The prior matching funds project with the Chickasaws was a tremendous success.

e. Background check: Members who have volunteered to substitute for teachers for the Incentive Project are asked to go to Lighthorse Police or the Justice Center on North Bdw. to have their fingerprinting done. the cost is \$15. Take both copies of the prints to the Byng Central Office

f. Video: Members are reminded to contact Sandra for the videotaping to be posted on FaceBook.

g. Back-to-School: Members will represent BEEF at the Teacher-Parent Meet and Greet on the following dates and places: August 20, Byng Junior High, Sandra Looper; Byng High School, Mark Davis and Betty Allred; August 7, Francis Elementary, Janice Presley; Homer Elementary, Darryl Hatcher; Byng Elementary, Brandon Tilley. Brochures about BEEF's past, present, and future are to be available. On the new BEEF website will be a form to fill out for a drawing for t-shirts designed by Kaleb Gordon.

h. Fundraisers: Sandra will check the high school basketball schedule to schedule a date for BEEF's annual silent auction and sale of home-baked items.

5. Whole Group Discussion:

a. Database: Lacy reported that the database for finances provides a contact list. Kaleb, Carol, and Lacy will incorporate that list and the one from PayPal into one source.

b. Membership: Carol and Lacy recommended having decals for vehicles as a way to promote BEEF. Darryl and the Fundraising Committee will research information about this.

c. Teacher Incentives: Brandon and the Incentive Committee will purchase and/or accept donations for prizes to be awarded at the first Byng staff meeting August 2, 9 a.m. Items mentioned include teacher chairs, gift certificates, baskets of goodies, electric pencil sharpeners, food cards. Darryl made the motion for BEEF to provide a \$600 budget for the incentives; Lacy seconded. Motion carried.

d. First Byng Staff Meeting: Janice and Kaleb will speak to staff about the value of teachers' making monthly contributions. They will hold the drawing for teacher incentive prizes provided by BEEF.

e. Visibility at building sites: Darryl suggested having a BEEF sign on classroom doors that says, "This classroom partly supported by BEEF." Lacy suggested cups with a BEEF logo.

f. BEEF stationary: Students will be asked to design a fold-over card depicting what school/education means to them. Staci will provide guidelines to principals; four winners will be chosen. Carol will send the cards to parents/guardians to highlight student achievements during the year.

g. Big Event: In the spring, a banquet will be held to recognize the following: teacher-of-the-year from each building site, the Byng District Teacher-of-the-Year, Wayne Joplin, donors and partners of the year.

h. Website/Brochure: Kaleb and Staci demonstrated the functioning BEEF website at byngfoundation.org. It is to be fully functioning by August 1. Kaleb and Darryl provided the updated version of the BEEF brochure. Members recommended a few changes; now the brochure will be printed.

i. Teacher Grants: Mark shared teacher summaries about their grants. After a discussion of ways to gain more teacher grant applications, Mark and his committee were asked to develop a new grant form, opening opportunities for teachers to target grants for technology, supplies, classroom projects, and other innovative ideas that could include after-school programs. The sample form for the new teacher grant will be shared with members on August 15. Grants will still be given to 5 teachers at \$500 each or a \$750 grant to teachers who collaborate.

j. List: Sandra encouraged members to help compile a list of business owners who are Byng graduates or who have children enrolled in the Byng system.

k. Student Scholarships: Raeanne Carson and the Scholarship Committee will development a user friendly form to be posted on the BEEF website so that seniors can more easily apply for the five \$500 Marvin and Quida Stokes Scholarships awarded in May.

Adjournment: 11:15

Respectfully submitted by Betty Allred, Secretary

