

ASDF Board Meeting Minutes

Date: February 4, 2021

Called by Dan Bosket

Type of Meeting: General Board Meeting

Note Taker: Maria Tjeltveit

Attendees: Julie Ambrose, Susan Williams, Vicki Newhard, Dan Bosket, Josh Dodd, Jane Marks, Dennis Blankowitsch, Maria Tjeltveit, Angela Nolan, Mike Bruckner, Don Hinkle, Ralph Todd, Ellen Kern, Thomas Parker, Tonya Harris, Rashid Santiago, Nancy Wilt, Rob Schmidt (absent: Pete Kareha, John Stevens, Kay Kurtz)

Agenda Topics

Dan Bosket called the meeting to order at 8:02 AM
Welcomed Dr. Julie Ambrose as new Executive Director

Topic and Presenter: Motion - Approval of Maria Tjeltveit as ASDF Board Secretary
Dan Bosket

Discussion:
Motion made by Mike Bruckner, Nancy Wilt 2nd
Conclusion: Approved

Topic and Presenter: Approval of Minutes Maria Tjeltveit

Discussion:
Corrections: Attendance: Mike Bruckner. Treasurer's Report: PPP Loan

Motion made to approve as corrected by Ralph Todd, Josh Dodd 2nd
Conclusion: Approved as corrected

Topic and Presenter: Superintendent Report Thomas Parker

Discussion:
He is stepping down as Superintendent. Accepted a position with George Stewart Mott Foundation. Focus on policy and partnerships, including foundations investing in urban education.
Still here through May.
Core vision to continue a strong relationship of administration with ASDF. Thanked the Board for our partnership.
Schools: Still virtual/remote through end of 3rd quarter. Will make a decision later for 4th quarter.
Have surveys out to parents. Planning for eventual transition back to in-person education.

Topic and Presenter: Executive Director Report

Julie Ambrose

Discussion:

As she has been meeting members, she's been touched by all Board members' stories. Thanked the Board.

-Mission Moment

Showed highlights of Trexler Middle School *National History Day*. Listed the exhibits on ASDF Facebook page

-Board Member Recruitment

1 vacancy. Several terms are ending in June. Reach out to talk about continuing on the Board.

Governance Committee needs a chair. This committee would be involved in Board recruitment. Current Governance committee: Dan B, Rashid S, Marie McConnell. Will send "Governance Policy" to Board to see if people are interested in serving.

-Strategic Planning

Last one 2017-2021. Still following.

Strategic Planning Committee will be called together soon. Please let her know if you were on the committee and now not interested or not on but interested

-Teacher Appreciation

Lot of interest on Board on ways to recognize teachers and ASD staff, esp. in pandemic. Working with Superintendent to find ways to do that.

-Mayfair: May 28-30, 2021

Hoping that by May we can get together to show framed student works and staff the art booth. Asked if there is support from the Bd to do that again this year. Show of hands: Yes. Have raised between \$2-3,000 in the past. Jane M asked if there was a way to do an online gallery if it can't be in person. Will explore.

-Other

Recreation Dept adopted *Reading with Recreation* series. Inspiration for Ray Griffiths (who leads it) was relationship with Dr. Stevens. Emphasizes importance of work of the ASDF Reading program. Bd members and other ASDF Reading volunteers can be guest readers in *Reading with Recreation* series.

Dan thanked Julie, Vicki Newhard, and Susan Williams for what they are doing in the transition,

Topic and Presenter: Virtual High Notes Gala Update

Susan Williams

See attachment: High Notes, A Virtual Reality 2021

Discussion:

Wed. March 3, 8:30-8:45

Theme: *Virtual Reality 2021*. No current teachers and students because they have their hands full. Retrospect 2001-2019. Working with videographer, Jon Mulder, 3Seed Marketing.

Last year Gala made \$140,000. ASDF kept \$114,000.

This year goal of \$80. City Center and Gallagher have already pledged, so now at \$4500.

Asking everyone to solicit or give Sue leads for \$1,000-5000. March 15 deadline for Sponsorships.

Online Program highlighting past performances: 15-30 minutes.

Save the date card going out soon. News releases & social media over next 6 weeks.

Asking Tony Muir to help with Fund Raising

Questions:

Angela asked about whether to accept credit cards on the sponsorships. Sue will readjust.

Tonya suggested Venmo and Zello (in chat)

Tonya asked if students are doing music programs at school. Josh said Yes.

Sue assured teachers that we would uphold our grants for music programs

Tonya asked if a theatrical performance from last fall could be included. Could we have a live segment or a pre-recorded piece to highlight some part of this school year?

Don suggested excerpts from past Allen and Dieruff shows, not just Gala performances.

Question of length of program. Can it be more than 15 minutes? Inhibited by cost.

Sue will look into these issues. Dan welcomed more questions and suggestions after the meeting.

Topic and Presenter:**Administrator Report****Vicki Newhard****Discussion:**

Encourage people to contribute through PayPal, rather than credit card.

-EITC Update

Major source of income: Currently, \$40750 from 9 business. Last year YTD \$48,250.
Usually receive about \$75,000/year

Have submitted Program Report and renewal application so can continue to be listed as EITC approved organization.

-Annual Appeal Update

YTD \$31,460, down by a few thousand. Last year, YTD, we were at \$39,321.
Usually \$44,000-45,000/yr.

Other Business:

Josh Dodd: First PPP loan paid off by SBA in its entirety. We were down 25% in income so allowed to apply for another loan of \$21,200. Approved by bank and sent on for final approval.

Finance Committee will meet Feb 25. Need new signers with new Ex Dir and Sec. Rob Schmidt is head of the Investments committee.

Question for Nancy Wilt (as President of School Board): Is there a search committee yet for Superintendent? Not yet. Working on it and want to do it right.

Mike recommend that School Board appoint a rep from ASDF Bd to the search committee: Dan or Tonya

Dan will send a formal request to have an ASDF Bd member on search committee

Meeting adjourned: Mike moved, Nancy 2nd Adjourned at 8:56 AM

Next Meeting Date: April 1, 2021 @ 8AM. Via Zoom or TBD Location