

## NEF Board Meeting Minutes Hybrid Format

Date: Meeting via multiple emails August 5-12 Physical meeting September 30, 2024 5:00 pm

Location: Mountainside High School

Attendance: PH – by phone, P – in person, Z - via Zoom

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| President C. McCandlish | X | T. Perkins - Chasse       | Z | MHS H. Taylor       | X |
| VP - Vacant             |   | J. Van Anne EMC2 GRP      |   | A. Evans Retired    | Z |
| Secretary K. Kehoe      | X | NUSD Super. A. Angelou    | X | NUSD admin. H. Diaz |   |
| Treasurer L. Goodman    | X | MHS Principal K. Strevell | X |                     |   |
| Gov Brd M. Varitek      |   | DOES Principal A. Geraci  | Z |                     |   |
| Gov Brd V. Serrano      |   | NES Principal R. Miller   |   |                     |   |
| Past Pres. B. Goodman   | X | DOES J. Hodges            |   |                     |   |

Actual start time 5:18

Call for Agenda items went out September 10, 4 items divided into email strands and sent out.

Acceptance of Minutes from August 26, 2024 meeting with corrections (made 10/8 and saved)

Old Business:

|         |   | Motion/2nd |
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| Item 1: | The application for the Foundation to be recognized as a Tax Credit raising organization was submitted on July 10 224. Update – they have received electronic and hard copes and we are still waiting to hear back. |            |
| Item 2: | Four BGCG awards were handed out on September 12. M. Baxter and N Spooner from MHS and E. Martin and R. Londt from NES. The part 2 portion is now open with a close date of 10/10/2024                              |            |

New Business:

|         | Discussion   | Motion/2nd |
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| Item 1. | <p>Proposal is to use \$3,000 of the recent \$7,000 dollar grant to complete the hard-wired power connections at both Nadaburg and Desert Oasis Elementary Schools.</p> <p>Comments:</p> <p>CM The project estimate from BSN Sports did not include power to the two large scoreboards at NES &amp; DOES. Director of Maintenance, Nellie O had an estimate done and it comes out to</p> | Approved   |

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|         | <p>\$3,000 for both schools.</p> <p>RM via email No questions. Approve.</p> <p>AA via email No questions. Approve</p> <p>VS via email No questions. Approve</p> <p>AE via email No questions. Approve</p>  |          |
| Item 2. | <p>Proposal to fix the \$50 teacher gift from the August meeting by giving \$50 to those that did not receive a gift.</p> <p>Comments:</p> <p>CM The goal was to give \$50 to every teacher in the District as a token of the Foundation's support realizing that teachers spend money out of their own pocket to use in the classroom. Unfortunately the "verbiage" resulted in splitting hairs trying to define "teacher." My recommended solution is to use the District attendance sheet for PD credit to define who was eligible. If you were required to be at PD, you should have received \$50. I estimate the cost to fix the oversight at approximately \$350.00</p> <p>RM via email No questions. Approve.</p> <p>AA via email No questions. Approve</p> <p>VS via email. No questions. Approve</p> <p>AE via email No questions Approve</p> <p>Dollar amount was adjusted to 400.00 and re-voted on via email October 5, 2024<br/>15 Yea, 0 Nay, and 1 Abstain</p> | Approved |
| Item 3. | <p>Propose we subscribe to the Arizona GrantWatch website. The cost is \$45 a month, roughly \$540 per year. Membership is required to apply for grants available to non-profit agencies.</p> <p>Just looking at the subjects (that view is free) I believe we can apply and receive money to be used in furthering the Foundation's vision and mission.</p> <p>Comments:</p> <p>CM These grants range in size from \$1,000 to \$15,000 from what I have seen.</p> <p>RM via email No questions. Approve.</p> <p>AA via email No questions. Approve</p> <p>VS via email. No questions. Approve</p> <p>There was some discussion that people need to dig harder, rather</p>   | Tabled   |

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|                                 | than spending money on this subscription.  |   |
| Item 4.                         | <p>Propose that the president be allowed to design and procure banners and signage to be used at events to promote the Foundation.</p> <p>Comments:</p> <p>CM We could use a nice (reusable) check with a color logo. We could also use a banner to be used at sponsored events or to be used at school events to promote the Foundation.</p> <p>RM via email No questions. Approve.</p> <p>AA via email No questions. Approve.</p> <p>VS via email. No questions. Approve.</p> <p>President McCandlish took an inventory and so we will just need to fill in the gaps – currently have 2 3x8 banners, and one table top (8x10) sign.</p> <p>T. Perkins most graciously offered to supply banners and plaques as well. We just need to create/approve final designs for these items, along with a large blank “check” for photo ops.</p> | Approved with our grateful thanks to Ms. Perkins.   |
| Acceptance of grants and gifts: | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 25.00 showed up in our PayPal account and we believe it was a birthday fundraiser from D. Greene.</li> <li>2. The Foundation received \$400.00 worth of coolers, tarps, and Gatorade from Mr. and Mrs. Saverio Barbara from Calvaey Arise Chapel. Curtis thanked him at the time and will do something a bit more formal like a card. No vote seeing as we already received the items.</li> <li>3. The Foundation received a \$10,000.00 grant from Needy But Not Greedy towards our beach volleyball project. Hoping to obtain further grants to continue/complete the project. President McCandlish has a project meeting October 22 for Phase 1.</li> </ol>   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Already in our account</li> <li>2. . Already received</li> <li>3. K. Strevell/B. Goodman</li> </ol> |

#### Open Discussion:

During our meeting we received a card from teacher N. Setnan thanking the NEF for our gift of 50.00 and telling us how she spent hers.

In discussing the next meeting, several scheduling conflicts came to light and it was decided to cancel October’s meeting and move November’s meeting earlier in the month. Date is now November 18, 2024 at 5:15 pm at Desert Oasis.

Still talking about fundraising ideas; family movie nights and Singo – like Bingo, but with music. The idea of a 50/50 was shot down as it is considered gambling and therefore a no-no on school campus.

Amazon Smile has been discontinued, but maybe we can tap into the groups that Amazon is donating to now.

Also discussion about Fry's Community Rewards Program is an untapped resource.

Agenda Items for November's meeting:

1. Fundraiser calendar that President McCandlish is creating so that we aren't taking money from school booster sales and events. Actual calendar is still a WIP.
2. We are hoping to work the Needy-But-Not-Greedy Grant for 2025 and 2026, and Delgado's has pledged \$10,000.00 towards the project as well. Some discussion on figuring out the vendors and finances so fewer checks need to be cut and the process can be streamlined.
3. The Supplemental Grant Request Form is being tightened up for clarity and expediting the process. Still a WIP. More discussion needs to be had about having a "pot limit" for how many of these will be funded in a school year. Possibly transfer unused amounts from BGCG into that line item.

Motion to adjourn: B..Goodman/C McCandlish approx. 6:30 – can't find the time written in my notes, but I congratulated the puppy on only destroying 2 things being left to her own devices for 2 hours.