

**OI Foundation Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, April 27th, 2021**  
**6:30 am - 7:30 am**

**Members Present:**

Dr. David Jones  
Brad Pfeifle

Dr. Keith Baumgarten  
Susan Quello

Lynda Barrie  
Mark Blackburn

**Others Present:**

Paul Keizer

**Absent:**

Andy Langenfeld

Call to Order. The OI Foundation board called the meeting to order at 6:32 a.m. in the main conference room. The Board voted to approve the minutes from March 23rd, 2021.

Presidents Report: Dr. Baumgarten started the meeting talking about his three research projects. One of the three was recently approved and OI Foundation should start receiving the revenue. At that time Dr. Baumgarten would like to start passing Khris Lowe's salary through the Foundation as this aligns properly with the Foundation's mission.

Dr. Baumgarten's son is looking to bring awareness to tennis at McGovern and Jefferson. Champ would like to do a tennis racquet drive at these locations. Dr. Baumgarten will be reaching out to Paul when the time comes to help with this drive.

Directors Report: Paul Keizer presented the three sports and fitness opportunities the Foundation is part of at this time. First is to recognize kids at a middle-school. Paul talked about an opportunity that presented itself last week. A parent of a soccer team is looking for opportunities. These kids attend Whittier Middle School and have trouble being part of the soccer community due to lack of financial resources. Paul is going to meet with Moses on Thursday, April 29<sup>th</sup> to discuss this opportunity more.

To overcome the transportation barrier of getting kids to their sporting events, Paul reached out to Billion Auto. Through this phone call, Paul was made aware that Compassion Child Care may have vehicles that the foundation could use. Additionally, Billion Auto is going to keep an eye out for any 15 passenger vans that may be for sale. To protect the drivers, kids, and vehicles, Paul reached out to Silverstone to see what opportunities are out there for insurance. Paul will report back at the next board meeting.

The second opportunity for sports and fitness training is with George McGovern. The proposal for McGovern is complete, but has not been sent. In the proposal we are offering a part-time athletic trainer and summer strength and conditioning at no-charge to the students. It was approved for Brad to send out the proposal to the Sioux Falls School District.

Brad talked about the difficulties of finding athletic trainers. He anticipates an issue finding an athletic trainer for McGovern. Brad and Paul are going to put a job description together knowing that we may be able to utilize different resources to fulfill all duties.

Paul gave a brief update on the YMCA and Boy's and Girl's Club partnership. Every entity has decided to move forward in exploring this program. Paul asked the board for permission to be nimble as we start this. Meaning, Paul asked for a sub-committee of Susan and himself to represent OI Foundation as we figure out this program. The target start date for this program is October where we will be sponsoring one middle-school team from Whittier. The board approved Paul's request and will analyze this relationship and board involvement as the program grows.

Paul reported back that OI Foundation received the Lyon County Riverboard Grant of \$2000. OI Foundation has until July 19<sup>th</sup> to use these funds. In the grant, Paul left the need for this grant generalized. Therefore, we could use these funds for sports and fitness training, transportation, or equipment.

Paul asked the board what their comfort level is with the direction the Foundation is moving and if we are ready to start fundraising for these projects. Dr. Baumgarten and Dr. Jones advised we need a clear plan to articulate and a definition of what the need is. Susan also asked that we need clarity on what is being covered in kind versus what we are asking the community for. Paul is going to continue to work to bring clarity to the mission and vision. To get started, Dr. Jones asked Mark and Susan to come to the All-Physicians Meeting on May 25<sup>th</sup>. Mark and Susan accepted. Prior, Paul is going to send the study performed by Sioux Falls Thrive and Augustana for the physicians to read.

Next OI Foundation Board Meeting: Tuesday, May 18th at 6:30 AM

Paul Keizer adjourned the meeting at 7:39 a.m.