

**Jennings County Youth Foundation
Regular Board Meeting
May 15, 2019**

Regular Meeting: The Jennings County Youth Foundation held its regular meeting in the Jennings County Youth Foundation office of the Jennings County Education Center, 100 S. Webster Street, North Vernon, IN 47265. The meeting began at 6:00 p.m.

Board Members present were Kelly Hatton, Barb Galliher, Casey Ernstes, Angi Grider, and Vicky Lacey. Tom Taylor was also present.

Agenda

- Purpose
 - The President opened the meeting by reviewing unfinished business.

Unfinished Business

- The board reviewed the minutes from the meeting on April 17, 2019. Kelly stated anyone that is not getting the meeting minutes should let Casey know after the meeting. We have completed most of the action items. Casey updated that she is having a difficult time adding a search bar to the top of the website. She asked if we could add the search bar under the navigation or on the bottom of the page. Kelly wanted it at towards the top of the page. We got the information about our CPA. His name is Rod Humphrey and he is with Humphrey CPA Group, L.L.C. in Indianapolis. The CPA and our organization have filed an extension on our 990. They are reviewing our books in preparation for our audit. Angi is meeting Joe Doran tomorrow at noon. Little Red Kitchen and Butlerville Grocery are possibly going to help us with the handprint fundraiser. Angi will let us know for sure soon. We are going to wait for the grant training session until we get everything ready for the Summer Food Program. We made a connection at the Boys & Girls Club conference and Barb is going to get something scheduled for it.

Reports

- Treasurer's Report
 - Information about all our accounts was provided.
 - i) Main \$6,357.50
 - ii) Summer Food \$12,495.41
 - iii) Gaming \$581.53
 - iv) Affordable Christmas/Kids Camp \$9,469.66
 - v) Savings \$25.11
 - vi) Savings Main \$25.12
- Donations in 2019
 - No updates at this time
- Expenses in 2019
 - No updates at this time

Old Business

- Donations and Expenses
 - We have a plan in place to capture donations and expenses in a Google Form. Cindy will record donations and expenses in the Google Forms. The Google Form summarizes all of the information that is input and shows it in graphs and a spreadsheet. Right now, 80% of our gifts that we have received so far are in-kind donations. We have collected \$11,584, but we have not had any major fundraisers, wrote any grants, or sent out our brochures. Everyone can easily access this information. It will also still be kept in Quickbooks. The information about expenses has not yet been put into a Google Form. Casey will create that Google Form.
- Affordable Christmas
 - We have all agreed that we are going to spend money now to take advantage of sales for the Affordable Christmas sale. We are working on a storage place to put those. Angi meets with someone on Friday about the storage. Barb did not have an update on how much has been spent for the Affordable Christmas so far. Kelly reminded everyone that we should contact Barb if we want to make any purchases for JCYF rather than buying stuff and getting reimbursed. Also, any purchases over \$500 need to be approved.
- Boys & Girls Club
 - Kelly gave an update on information about the Boys & Girls Club. We went to the City Council on April 8 to ask them to do the Community Block Grant for us. They voted to support our efforts. Trent Wisner and Jerry Lamb offered to join our advisory council. On April 11, Barb and Kelly attended the County Commissioners meeting to ask for their support and have them possibly do the grant. They supported us and Matt Sporleder agreed to join the advisory committee. April 15, Kelly meet with Shawn Gerkin and the ARA grant writers to discuss the Community Block grant. It was decided to push the grant to the Fall since we don't have the cost or location yet. They are putting together a timeline for us to apply in the fall. April 16, she met with Teresa Brown at Jennings County School Corporation and introduced the idea to her and discussed future partnerships and she agreed to join the advisory committee and to share statistics that she put together about the importance of afterschool programming. April 18, we met with John Barlow and Pat Sullivan to talk about site locations and a potential location near the middle school. They believe this could be a deal to put before the school board to partner with them for that land. We met with John later and walked through the area of the open field. We met with a major donor and their family to give them an update on the Boys & Girls Club process. They expressed interest in wanting to stay updated on that. We met with two people who would like to be silent partners on this project. One has agreed to help determine the cost and possibly donating some materials. One shared information about the YMCA and their experience with that. We had a meeting with our Boys & Girls Club representative Andre Arrington and he came to the City Council meeting to speak and answer questions that they had. He let us

know that we would be partnering with another club. Barb, Kelly, and Vicky attended a Boys & Girls Club conference on May 9 and 10 and met with all the leaders of Boys & Girls Clubs in Indiana. We met Ryon from Seymour. We will have a special meeting with him on May 22 to learn more about our partnership with them. We met with Andre again right before this meeting. Andre let us know that we needed to vote as a board if we wanted to partner with Seymour and he would write up an official agreement of how the partnership will work and attach our resolution if we agree. This would allow us to have immediate access to Seymour resources to start programming under the Boys & Girls Club. Barb made a motion to partner with the Seymour Boys & Girls Club. Angi seconded the motion. The board voted for approval. 5 yes, 0 no. 2 members were not present. Approved.

New Business

- Board Meetings
 - We changed the format of our board meetings. This was one of the things we learned from the training last week. We are no longer going to go over the things that we have to do for the committees. This will be done at the committee meetings. Kelly told us that we all need to memorize the mission and purpose. We will be going over this at every meeting.
- Partnerships
 - Kelly asked us what a partnership is. She read the definition. We have been forming partnerships over the last several years. We had to write down our active partners. She asked us to share. Some of the partners we came up with included the schools, churches, City Council, County Commissioner, Latchkey, police officers, Vernon Auxiliary, and City Park. We want to make sure we are not missing any opportunities to partner with all types of organizations. Kelly is going to form a list of our partners.
- Boys & Girls Club
 - We have the opportunity to offer programming this summer. We have access to 2 classrooms, the cafeteria, and the computer lab this summer. We are wanting to do it for about 4 weeks for 7-8th grade. We brainstormed some ideas for the youth programming. We are thinking of doing a technology academy. We will take about 50 kids. We will focus on STEAM types of programs. Things like coding, website building, robotics, engineering, etc. We would provide a hands-on field trip. We want to approach Cummins as a possible partner for this program. Andre suggested we do a focus group to see if this would be of interest. We will also host a couple of parent nights to give out information and they will be able to register at these meetings. We need to come up with a budget for the program. He estimates \$20,000-\$25,000. We will need two paid staff members plus some volunteers. Barb will see if we can use the Summer Food Program to feed the kids. They would get a certificate of completion and some kind of award for them. We will use the Boys & Girls Club in Seymour to fund it and we will reimburse them. We need to think about where we are going to get the funding

for this program. Casey will contact Ryon and start thinking about the programming. Casey is interested in helping with this.

- Endowment Grant
 - We applied for the Community Foundation grant to get a consultant to help us with a feasibility study and capacity building to build a board for our Boys & Girls Club and the future campaign to raise funds. This would be with the consultant from the Indiana Youth Institute that helped us with our strategic plan previously. We estimate \$3,000-\$5,000 to do that. We should know by May 23 if we got this grant.
- Women's Giving Circle
 - We will write the grant to help us with the programming for the Technology Academy this summer.

Guest Speaker

- A Second Chance
 - Angi Grider was invited to speak about her Facebook page "A Second Chance". She started this page in 2015. Her and Joe Petty post everyday. It's about drug addiction and provides inspirational messages and resources for those who are struggling or have struggled with addiction. She shared that so far this year there have been 29 deaths from overdoses and last year Indiana had over 3,295 deaths due to overdose. Her goal is to open a halfway house for women. Currently, there are 3 houses for men nearby but there is nothing in Jennings County for women. We are going to look into grants to provide programming or awareness for children to prevent drug use. We will also reach out to Thrive about expanding their hours to the evening for grandparents that are raising their grandkids who cannot come in the mornings. We could also provide care for the children while the grandparents are in the classes. Angi thought she could possibly go live on Facebook with information. She also wants to find materials to share.

Reflection

- We are going to form a partnership with the Boys & Girls Club in Seymour. Our next step is to get the member agreement and confirm details and hopefully sign the deal next Wednesday when Ryon comes to visit. We also need to remember what our mission and purpose is. We need to think of others that we can partner with.

Action Items

- Casey will make an expenses Google Form
- Angi will follow up with Joe Doran on shirts
- All members will continue to look for donations and get sponsors
- Angi will meet about storage unit
- Barb will schedule a grant training meeting
- Kelly will make list of partnerships
- Barb will see if we can use the Summer Food Program for Technology Academy

The Board Members of Jennings County Youth Foundation did not discuss any subject matter other than that specified in the Public Notice.

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Kelly Hatton- President

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