



Board Meeting Minutes  
January 11, 2022

Meeting via Zoom

Attendees: Bruce Harris, Bob Kahler, Chip Schwehm, John Bertolet, Juliette Cohen, Lisa Clarke, Andy Hamblett, Tom Minerich

Absent: Ronnie Campbell, Susan Corbin, Teresa Koster

Call to Order: 3:03 pm

Approval of November 2021 and December 2021 Minutes

Bertolet, Clarke, approved 8-0

Presidents Report

Evelyn Andrews introduction- will be taking the minutes for meetings

Special Gifts- several donations received in December. Including donations in memory of Tom Dekker, Rotary, the Hamblett and Kotin Families and anonymous. The Board agreed that retaining the ability of donors to sponsor specific projects is important. Some donors want to give to the general good of the foundation but others want to specify a project to support.

Kotin Family donation of \$20,000 is in support of the grade 7/8 esports curriculum at Boothbay Region Elementary School.

The anonymous gift of \$5,000 is in support of students at Boothbay Region High School and Boothbay Region Elementary School (for the guidance teams to manage) to support families as needs present such as homelessness, fire recovery, clothes and food needs.

Previously there had been different community fundraising events that supported these needs, but those have not been active in a number of years

Letters, envelopes and letterhead- we have received the stationary and envelopes and will utilize them to send out donation letters this month. Bruce will get the letters to the Central Office for Board Members to sign and personalize.

Named Fund Donor Agreement- will review at the next meeting, question whether the fund would be recognized when established or when funds were completely received.

Treasurers Report- no questions on bank statement provided

## Grant Requests

Sherrie Hersom, BRHS, \$2,513 for forensic/DNA equipment (centrifuge & oven)- the committee has reviewed and approved this request, Tom asked if it was part of the curriculum. Lisa had more information after following up with Sherrie Hersom. She will forward that to Tom. Bob indicated that this project is part of the curriculum but these items were not part of the current budget. The teacher has been working with Jackson Lab for this equipment in the past. Tom would like to look into seeking a donation of a centrifuge instead of purchasing one. He will report back to Bruce and Lisa within a few days.

Motion to approve the Hersom grant request Minerich, Hamblett, approve 8-0

New Business- none

Old Business-

Name change? Formally known as Boothbay Region Education Foundation. Last year the Board approved a name change to Education Boothbay. John asked if it was going to be a legal name change or a DBA. Bruce will look into the implications of both options.

Adjourn- 3:40 pm

Bertolet, Clarke, approve 8-0

Next meeting: February 8, 2022