

THE MORRIS AREA FOUNDATION INC.

The regular meeting of The Morris Area Foundation Inc was held on Tuesday, June 14, 2022, at 8:30 am. This was a virtual meeting.

In Attendance: Del Stevenson, Shelley Stupnisky, Curtis Evenson, Brendan Heppner, Mel Baxter, Midge Anderson, Bruce Gregory, Merv Dueck, Dennis Matthies Absent Lynda Lambert

Presiding: President Del Stevenson

Approval of Agenda

MOTION by Midge Anderson, seconded by Bruce Gregory to adopt the Morris Area Foundation Board meeting agenda for Tuesday, June 14, 2022 Unanimously carried.

Motion #14/22

Approval of Minutes

MOTION by Shelley Stupnisky, seconded by Mel Baxter to adopt the Morris Area Foundation minutes from May 10, 2022 with the addition of Cheques from May 4 and 5. Unanimously carried.

Motion #15/22

Correspondence

There was an email from Alan Godard regarding the staffing proposal which will be dealt with later in the agenda.

Midge reported she has received donations In Memory of Laurence Petroni and Rita Covernton.

REPORTS:

- a. Chairperson: As circulated. We are pleased to be moving forward with the addition of new board members Jackie Murray and Cris Domingez.
- b. Treasurer: Midge Anderson requested approval for the following cheques:
Cheque #229 to WF \$489.24 from Rosenort YIP fundraiser
Cheque #230 to Jackie Murray \$250. Registration for Conference
Cheque #231 to Brendan Heppner \$500 for 2 Registrations for Conference
Cheque #231 to SE Journal \$210. For AGM ad
Cheque #232 to Dennis Matthies \$250. For Registration for Conference
MOTION by Midge Anderson seconded by Brendan Heppner that the May 2022 cheques as presented, and all bills be paid to date. Unanimously carried.

Motion #16/22

Treasurer also reported that our AGM was over budget as we spent \$379 for Multiplex rental and \$210 for advertising. Our budget was \$500.

The president expressed our thanks to Bruce Gregory Law Office for sponsoring the lunch at the AGM.

Committee Reports-

- a. Grants – Dennis Matthies has agreed to chair this committee going forward.
- b. YIP granting – Nothing to report.
- c. Fund Development- Nothing to report.
- d. Marketing – It was agreed that a press release should be sent out regarding our AGM, new board members, and new executive. Curtis will ask Lynda to do this.
- e. Board Governance –
Executive positions for 22/23 will be: Chair- Curtis Evenson
Vice Chair-Dennis Matthies
Secretary-Shelley Stupnisky
Treasurer-Midge Anderson

MOTION to accept these executive positions for the 2022/2023 year by Brendan Heppner, seconded by Cris Domingez. Unanimously approved.

MOTION #17/22

- f. Rosenort Festival may take place this year in August. Merve will keep us notified.
- g. Will Seminar in November/December was suggested. It was very successful last time.

MOTION to approve all reports as presented by Merve Dueck, seconded by Dennis Matthies. Unanimously approved.

MOTION #18/22

Endow MB Staffing Proposal: Endow MB has proposed that we could revise our participation in the Shared Staff Program from half day to full day per week. Our concerns include: what will happen to Plum Coulee Foundation, as they are similar to us in size; what will be the financial impact? Double the cost and in future more admin costs; what extra input would we get?

Midge Anderson spoke about our budget indicating an upcoming deficit. She feels that if we stay the same size perhaps we don't need the extra input but if we grow her extra hours will definitely be needed. We want to grow!

Mel reminded us that this was a 5 year commitment and we are only 2 years in.

It was agreed that we should arrange with Alan Godard for more consultation to make this decision as it will affect us in the long term.

Curtis sees her additional hours as having great benefit to us.

Curtis and Del will prepare a list of questions to be discussed at a meeting with Alan.

A decision should be made at the September meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:29 am

There will be no meetings in July or August.

Next meeting: Tuesday, Sept 13, 2022 @ 8:30 a.m. **Vitua**

President, Del Stevenson

Secretary, Shelley Stupnisky