

THE MORRIS AREA FOUNDATION INC.

The regular meeting of The Morris Area Foundation Inc was held on Tuesday, October 11, 2022, at 8:30 am. This was a virtual meeting.

In Attendance: Del Stevenson, Shelley Stupnisky, Curtis Evenson, Mel Baxter, Bruce Gregory, Jackie Murray, Dennis Matthies, Lynda Lambert.

Absent: Midge Anderson, Brendan Heppner, Merve Dueck, Cris Dominguez

Presiding: President Curtis Evenson

Approval of Agenda

MOTION by Mel Baxter, seconded by Del Stevenson to adopt the Morris Area Foundation Board meeting agenda for Tuesday, October 11, 2022 with the addition of discussion of the Recovery Fund. Unanimously carried.

Motion #25/22

Approval of Minutes

MOTION by Shelley Stupnisky, seconded by Bruce Gregory to adopt the Morris Area Foundation minutes from September 13, 2022 with the addition of October 25 Lunch and Learn. Unanimously carried.

Motion #26/22

Correspondence There was no correspondence.

Unfinished Business None

REPORTS:

- a. **Chairperson:** Curtis will be speaking at one of the conference sessions.
- b. **Treasurer:** Midge Anderson requested approval for the following cheques:
Cheque #239 to Rosenort CC \$974.33 for YIP grant
Cheque #240 to Winnipeg Foundation \$1642.00 Donations to Main endow
Cheque #241 to Habitat for Humanity Mb\$3000 for Rosenort home build grant
MOTION by Shelley Stupnisky seconded by Dennis Matthies that the September 2022 cheques be approved as presented, and all bills be paid to date. Unanimously carried.

Motion #27/22

The treasurer also submitted the Sept 30, 2022 Foundation Recap as well as MAF Endowment Funds Report as of August 31, 2022. She also submitted the Outstanding Grants for MAF and MAF YIP.

Shelley Stupnisky made 3 motions as instructed by the treasurer.

MOTION by Shelley Stupnisky, seconded by Bruce Gregory that the Access Credit Union signing authority for documents and cheques be updated to:

Curtis Evenson, President

Dennis Matthies, Vice President

Midge Anderson, Treasurer

Shelley Stupnisky, Secretary

Unanimously accepted.

Motion #28/22

MOTION by Shelley Stupnisky seconded by Del Stevenson that the amount of \$15,000 be transferred from the MAF chequing account at Access Credit Union to the premium savings account . Unanimously accepted.

Motion #29/22

MOTION by Shelley Stupnisky, seconded by Mel Baxter that the list of 2022 YIP grants be accepted and approved as listed. Unanimously approved.

Motion #30/22

- c. Staff Lynda Lambert report Lynda reported that the first Lunch and Learn will occur on October 18, concerning granting . Lynda and the Endow team have been focused on the upcoming conference. Cris Dominguez will not be able to attend as planned since he will be away for the next six months. Del agreed to attend in his place.

Committee Reports-

- a. Grants – Brendan has placed an ad inviting applications for grants in the South East Journal as well as on the Town of Morris reader board. There have been no applications to date. There is \$17,000 to be disbursed (including \$2500 for YIP grants in spring). The applications will be reviewed at our next board meeting.
Jackie and Mel have booked the Morris Multiplex venue for our Granting Event on Dec 13.
- b. YIP granting – A letter has been sent requesting fundraising plans. Courtney from Endow is willing to speak to the YIP groups in the future.
- c. Fund Development- Del has visited with Pat Schmidtke at BigWay and has received his approval for our annual Roundup during Endow Week.
- d. Marketing – We have been advertising for grant applications.
Endow Challenge – November 14-20 Letters to past donors will be sent out. We need to update and add email addresses. There is info on the Endow Challenge on their website,

including new logos, There is \$500 available for advertising from Endow. Lynda will produce a radio ad again and the cost will be shared with surrounding foundations

Community Services Recovery Fund We have received another email recently about our participation in this \$400 million fund, similar to funds during Covid. We must sign the Expression Of Interest by October 14. Curtis said there can be no drawbacks in signing this as it is not a commitment.

MOTION by Del Stevenson seconded by Bruce Gregory that we proceed with completion of the EOI. Unanimously approved.

MOTION #31/22

Next meeting will be taken up by review of grant applications.

Mel Baxter expressed his enjoyment of participation in the MAF board.

Motion to adjourn by Mel Baxter at 9:30 am.

Next meeting: Tuesday, November 8, 2022 @ 8:30 a.m. **Vitual**

President, Curtis Evenson

Secretary, Shelley Stupnisky