

DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS November 06, 2018 MINUTES

Board Members P-=PRESENT A = ABSENT

A-Sue Bird	A- Emily Dabek	A Teena Lauth	P- Roxie Oberg	A-Barbara Putrino	A- -Chris Whalen
A-Mary Ann Carnangelo	P- Jennifer Farrell	P- Debbie Larson	A-Carol Oestrich	A-Carol Rosen	A- -Betsy Williams
P- Betsy Carlin	A- Karen King	P- Nick Matyas	A-Rick Peterson	A- Loi Tran	A-Derek Vladescu
					A- Tina Zdimal

In attendance: Nick Matyas, Deb Larson, Betsy Carlin, Jen Farrell, Roxie Oberg

1. Yes, we want to go ahead and meet with Vestal and ME.

2. November is National Scholarship Month (info on Scholarship America website). We could put that info out there for folks. Also, #GivingTuesday is November 27. We need to remind staff, and others, that they can donate to Dollars for Scholars in multiple ways, including United Way, Amazon Smiles and Maines.

We discussed including a credit card donation ‘portal’ on the website. We know that the credit card companies charge a percentage, but, so does Scholarship America - and it’s the same amount. Using our own credit card ‘button’ would ensure that the donations from the website come directly to us and don’t have to go through Scholarship America. Do we know how long it takes for a donation directed to us to get to us if someone donates using a credit card through Scholarship America?

3. We believe we are ready to go live in December with the application. Yes - it needs to be put on the announcements. Also, we know that Teena had a laminated instruction sheet for students that was very helpful. Hopefully, we will be able to use it again?

4. Deb Larson is taking care of program inserts for upcoming school events. (Thank you Deb!!) Deb volunteered to work at the Nov 16 play to sell raffle tickets. Jen Farrell said she would be there the 17th. We will sign up the rest at the next meeting.

5. What is the date for the Friends and Family fund raiser? Students should be able to help stuff letters, etc.

6. Gift wrapping at Barnes and Noble - December 23 - Sunday. Also, Thursday, December 20. Students can come after school. We will confirm who is available to help out at our next meeting in December. Deb will create a ‘sign-in” sheet or email addresses to send out Thank you letters for those who donate via a donation jar. That way we will have contact information.

7. Trivia Night - The wrong information went out on the flyer. Feb 22 is a Friday night... not Saturday. Nick was going to talk to Tina Z about it. The information will need to be corrected in multiple places.

8. March 16 - We need to know from district what the plans are to know if it logistically sound to offer lunch to staff. Perhaps we could do a Phil’s Chicken lunch and just ‘up charge’?

9. Deb Larson also mention that it was not easy to find Dollars for Scholars via the district page. She has talked to Christine Kunzman and knows that Loi is working with Christine to make it more accessible.

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY ROXIE OBERG

NEXT MEETING DECEMBER 4, 4:30 AT BHS