

DFS – January 12 Meeting Minutes

The Zoom meeting was called to order by Michelle Bolte at 6:35 p.m. Nikki, Maureen, Kurt, Andi, Staci, Mel, Jen Jensen, Travis and Janine attending.

Shannon moved to approve the minutes; Nikki seconded.

Kurt gave treasurer's report.

Summary of Bank Activity

Beginning Balance: \$35,376 November 1st
Money spent: \$(2,988)
Money received: \$3,339
Money transferred: \$-
Ending balance: \$35,728 December 31st

Details of money spent:

Woolverton Press	\$ (138)	Door to Door campaign
Wendy Gerloff	\$(2,850)	Scholarship reimbursement - Rick Burrows

Details of money received:

Door to Door Campaign	\$515
Concessions	\$734 3 x football games
Donations	\$10
Waterloo Warehouse Scholarship	\$2,000
Interest	\$81

Total DFS Funds

DFS Liquid Funds	\$ 94,250
Investment Funds	\$ 222,195
CD Funds	\$ 81,235
	\$ 397,680

- This year we have raised for this year's class approximately \$11,000+ Last year we had \$15,000 total – fairly on track

Committee Reports:

Awards night/thank you notes – Shannon picked up thank you's and has an email template

Communication, website, social Committee – Michelle question on website – Dollars for Scholars (instead of Scholarship America) or Dollars for Scholars/SA. Group agreed to make this change to the site.

Fundraising Committee – V-ball tournament this weekend and also scheduled for March 12 and March 26. Janine to check with the City on summer softball tournament concession possibilities.

Volunteer Committee – Staci has summarized volunteer hours. 22 students of the 67 in this year's class have volunteered w/ hours ranging from 1.5 to 99 hours. Maureen suggested that we cap the number of hours that Board members children can earn.

Scholarship Committee – A new scholarship is w/ Nick Jans; Michelle working on details with him. Updated the Scholarship America form and will get this on the website. Finalizing all scholarships from last year to be sure they are happening for this year – some renewed yearly and others we ask each year. After that they are on the website, so students can see what's available. Students will have work nights at school to work on filling out the application and are given help. Travis reported that they had a senior meeting; 30 students are signed up to get help on the 27th and started filling out their applications. Awards night is being planned for May 11.

Chester Dike Scholarship update provided by Kurt. Connected with Nancy Rivera's representative, Wendy Bryant, regarding this scholarship. Nancy is the granddaughter of Chester Dike and there are no other relatives. She is committed to continuing the scholarship. Nancy is 82 years old and Wendy has concerns that she may not be able to support DFS if nursing home is eventually needed, but that's not the case now. Nancy is committed, so trying to keep the commitment going forward. Wendy indicated DFS is in Nancy's will, but didn't provide details. She committed to the 2022 scholarship.

Next year – 2023 – will be 30 years of the Chester Dike Scholarship anniversary. We need to do something to commemorate this and a few ideas were discussed.

Old business

Give Lively – is a way to donate online and it's now set up on the website. "Donate Now button", Click to Donate button. It doesn't charge the organization. You can take it from a bank account or a credit card. We need to promote this.

AmazonSmile – last quarterly report of December we made \$20.50. Nikki suggested getting the word out via the Facebook group and inviting people to join within your friend group. May make a card to promote it and remind people about it; hand out at concession stands. Consider making more permanent looking signs that can be used at multiple events; Kurt and Michelle will look into the cost.

New Business –

Amy Dall is no longer going to be on the board due to her work schedule. Consider who might be good additions to the Board as we'll be asking others to join this Spring.

Fundraising – may in the future ask each Board member to be assigned to help with fundraising projects. Watermelon Days is Aug. 13; 5K will be held again. Looking into summer softball concession opportunities. Michelle asked about doing a Spring door to door campaign – visiting people who weren't home in the fall or didn't donate? Decided not to do it twice in town and stick with Fall. Talked about considering the country campaign again and doing it in the Spring.

Next meeting is Feb. 9 at 6:30 p.m. Location TBD.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Janine Stewart, Secretary