L’Anse Area Schools Foundation

Annual Board Meeting

August 5, 2021

Meeting called to order at 4:29pm

Present: Larry Gasperich, Mary Gasperich, Anne Koski, Dan Whitman, Susan LaFernier

Absent: Frank Taddeucci, Peg Ekdahl, Jim Ekdahl

Also present: Susie Tollefson, Superintendent Amanda Nordstrom, School Board Representative

Adoption of Agenda: Motion made by Anne Koski, supported by Dan Whitman to approve the agenda for the August 5, 2021 meeting. Motion carries

Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Mary Gasperich, supported by Susan LaFernier to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 9, 2021. Motion carries.

Correspondence and Communication:

Anne Koski received from Karen Nelson LaCrosse a check for $180.00, from the class of 1983, in memory of Mrs. Jacobson, Scott Kent and Mr. John Crimm.

Finances:

Approval of payment of bills and purchases:

Motion made by Larry Gasperich, supported by Dan Whitman to approve payment of 2 bills. 1. Printer purchased by Anne Koski for foundation use. 2. Two plaques listing scholarships/Hornet Heroes. Motion carries.

Anne Koski filed the corporate filing for the State of MI and the Federal 990N

Motion made by Susan LaFernier, supported by Larry Gasperich to approve the following: Interest accrued in scholarship funds will not be awarded to the scholarship unless there is a prior agreement. Motion carries.

Old Business:

Plaques are finished. Susie Tollefson will have maintenance hang them in the hallway. We will have a picture taken of the board members in front of the plaques at the next meeting. We will submit to the L’Anse Sentinel with an article promoting the foundation and seeking new members/directors.

Foundation letterhead is finished and each member was emailed a copy.

Tablecloth will be purchased to use for future events. 8’ long with an open back. Larry & Mary Gasperich will check with Lake Superior Design and/or Homestead Graphics. Motion made by Anne Koski, supported by Larry Gasperich to purchase tablecloth. Motion carries.

New Business:

Election of officers –

President: Anne Koski nominates Larry Gasperich for president. Motion made by Mary Gasperich, supported by Dan Whitman. Motion carries

Vice President: Larry Gasperich nominates Susan LaFernier for vice president. Motion made by Larry Gasperich, supported by Mary Gasperich. Motion carries.

Treasurer: Larry Gasperich nominates Anne Koski for treasurer. Motion made by Mary Gasperich, supported by Larry Gasperich. Motion carries.

Secretary: Anne Koski nominates Mary Gasperich for secretary. Motion made by Anne Koski, supported by Susan LaFernier. Motion carries.

New Release/Photo in front of Plaques: This will happen at October meeting.

Fundraiser Ideas: Planning a large group fundraiser is temporarily put on due to the uncertainty of Covid and it’s new variants.

Dan Whitman suggested doing a 50/50 raffle. We will talk more about doing this at the October meeting. Suggestion is that we try to do it at the Holiday program at the school in December if it is open to the public. This is usually held the second Tuesday in December. Anne Koski reports that we will still try to participate in the Lake Trout Festival in June 2022 if restrictions allow. She also mentioned the idea of being a food vendor at the Aura Music Festival (formerly The Aura Jamboree) next summer. Mary Gasperich has a contact for Green Bay Packer tickets which might be able to be raffled next year. None available from contact for this year. All ideas tabled for future meetings.

Update Contributions/Class Lists: Mary Gasperich continues to add names. Class of 1967 list was given to Mary from Dan Whitman. Anne Koski continues to try to contact class reunion committees for their lists.

Other Business: None

Next Meeting: At this time the Foundation will hold meetings every other month. The next two are scheduled for October 14, 2021 and December 14, 2022.

Adjournment: Motion made by Mary Gasperich, supported by Dan Whitman to adjourn meeting at 5:23pm. Motion carries.