

**Hamilton County Schools Foundation**  
**Minutes of Meeting Held November 14, 2012**

Present: Mike Karcher, Lovella Craddock, Pat Woley, Jeff Fetcho, Vince Mitchell, Ryan Nelson, Mary Lee Stephens, Karen Rapp, Kathy Pryer, , and Virginia [Bobbin] Lasater

The meeting was called to order by Mike Karcher at 5:00 PM at the Unit #10 Office.

Motion to approve the minutes of the October 3, 2012 meeting was made by Vince and seconded by Karen. Motion approved by voice vote.

The Treasurer's Report as of November 12, 2012 indicating a balance in the checking account of \$37,792.52, [included in this amount is \$452.80 for the Track Renovation Project, in the restricted fund; \$9,540.00 in memory of Rodney Rubenacker, \$ 17.33 for Don Hall Scholarship, \$6,975.00 for Lewis & Mary Reed Scholarship, \$1,235.00 for Lasater Scholarship, and \$19,572.39 in the general fund], Combs-Money Market of \$1,813.07, Lasater-Savings of \$3,334.91, Combs-Scholarship of \$27,852.00, Lasater-Scholarship of \$27,539.16, Weinmann CDs of \$27,265.74, Banterra - Foundation unrestricted of \$353.97. Foundation has total assets of \$125,953.37. Discussion followed. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as of November 12, 2012 was made by Mary Lee and seconded by Lovella. Motion approved by voice vote.

Approval to pay bills: The Foundation received a letter from each the McLeansboro PTA, Dahlgren PTO, and Hamilton County Jr./Sr. High School stating that each have raised their grant matching funds. A motion to distribute the matching funds of \$4,000.00 to the Jr./Sr. High, \$4,000.00 to the East Side PTA, and \$1,500.00 to the Dahlgren PTO was made by Karen and seconded by Ryan. Motion approved by voice vote. A motion to authorize the distribution of the matching funds of \$500.00 to the Pre-School when the request letter is received was made by Karen and seconded by Jeff. Motion approved by voice vote. Discussion followed about the presentation of the checks and public awareness. Ryan will write an article and Jeff will email all the board members about a date and time for the presentation of the grants.

Old Business

- A. Mailing List/Membership Renewals: Bobbin has the classes of 1982, 1955, 1956, and 1957 ready to mail.
- B. Annual BBQ Summary & Future Planning: Mary Lee compiled the BBQ Summary, tricky tray and door prize winners, a things-to-do list and floor plan for tables, food, drinks, desserts, and registration, along with suggestions for next year. Some corrections were made due to Bobbin misunderstanding the notes. Discussion followed. No decisions were made at this time.
- C. Awarding of Matching Funds: This was taken care of during the approval to pay bills.
- D. Other: Pat discussed the signature card for the Capital One account pertaining to the Karen Combs Scholarship Fund. It was decided to wait until after the election of officers in January of 2013 to sign the signature card.
- E. Other: There is no news at this time regarding the Rodney Rubenacker Memorial sign. Jeff discussed the State of Illinois rules and regulations governing signage.

New Business

- A. Future Considerations/Strategic Planning Ideas: Discussed the possibility of changing the meeting night from Wednesdays. Also, discussed other possible grants.
- B. Other: None

The next meeting is scheduled on Thursday, January 10, 2013 at 5:00 PM at the Hamilton County Unit #10 Office.

Lovella motioned to adjourn, seconded by Vince. Motion approved by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned.

Date: approved 1/9/2013

*Virginia Lasater*  
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