

**Hamilton County Schools Foundation
Minutes of Meeting Held January 9, 2013**

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

Guests: Cathy Crain, Christina Epperson, Jackie Frey, Bev Gordon, Lynn Belangee, Mark Scott, and Jason Ronna

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

Mike presented the Technology Upgrade Grant checks: Preschool; Cathy Crain, teacher and Christina Epperson, Principal, McLeansboro PTA; Bev Gordon, PTS President and Jackie Frey, Principal, Dahlgren PTO; Lynn Belangee, teacher and Mark Scott, Principal, and Jr.-Sr. High; Jason Ronna, Principal. Each representative told what their respective grant money was going toward. Each representative thanked the Foundation for continued support to the schools, teachers, and students. Pictures were taken and Ryan will write an article to be published in the *McLeansboro Times-Leader*.

Motion to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2012 meeting was made by Vince and seconded by Jeff. Motion approved by voice vote.

The Treasurer's Report as of January 4, 2013, indicating a balance in the checking account of \$29,892.52, [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, \$2,135.00 for Lasater Scholarship, and \$10,772.39 in the general fund], Combs-Money Market of \$1,815.62, Lasater-Savings of \$3,334.97, Combs-Scholarship of \$27,852.00, Lasater-Scholarship of \$27,603.48, Weinmann CDs of \$27,265.74, Banterra - Foundation unrestricted of \$353.97. Foundation has total assets of \$118,118.30. Discussion followed. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as of January 4, 2013 was made by Mary Lee and seconded by Lovella. Motion approved by voice vote.

Approval to pay bills: None

Old Business

- A. Mailing List/Membership Renewals: Bobbin will update the Membership Drive letter and Alumni Drive letter after the election of officers at this meeting.
- B. Rodney Rubenacker Sign Update: Jeff Fetcho, Randy Rubenacker and an Illinois Department of Transportation representative had a meeting about a month ago. The sign will have to be approved by the State and should be located on the south side of Golf Course Road. There needs to be something in writing for a paper trail.
- C. Other: None at this time.

New Business

- A. Future Considerations/Strategic Planning Ideas: Discussion followed. No decision at this time
- B. Appointment of Directors to Foundation Board: Mike, Kathy, Mary Lee, and Jeff's term expired on 12/31/2012. Kathy Pryer sent a letter of resignation to the board. Mike Karcher chose not to be reappointed to the board. The members thanked them for their support and service to the Foundation Board. A motion to reappoint Mary Lee and Jeff to three year terms to expire on 12/31/2015 was made by Vince and seconded by Lovella. Motion approved by voice vote.

The following is a listing of members and terms:

Lovella – 12/31/2013
Ryan – 12/31/2013
Karen – 12/31/2013
Pat – 12/31/2013
Vince – 12/31/2014
Bobbin – 12/31/2014
Mary Lee – 12/31/2015
Jeff – 12/31/2015

We have three openings on the Foundation Board. Discussion followed about possible board members. The possible candidates for Directors on the Foundation Board will be contacted and invited to the next board meeting.

- C. Election of Officers: Vince nominated to move Lovella from Vice President to President, Lovella expressed that she was not interested in the President's position. Lovella nominated Vince as President. Vote was taken and Vince was elected President of the Foundation Board. Mary Lee nominated to retain Lovella as Vice President. Vote was taken and Lovella was elected as Vice President of the Foundation Board. Vince nominated to retain Pat as Treasurer. Vote was taken and Pat was elected as Treasurer of the Foundation

Board. Pat nominated to retain Bobbin as Secretary. Vote was taken and Bobbin was elected as Secretary of the Foundation Board.

D. Other: None

The next meeting is scheduled on Thursday, March 21, 2013 at 5:00 PM at the Hamilton County Unit #10 Office.

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

Date: approved 3/14/2013

Virginia Lasater
Virginia Lasater, Secretary
Hamilton County Schools Foundation