Southeast Polk Dollars for Scholars

October 16, 2024 6pm
Southeast Polk District Office

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm by Lori. Quorum Present.

• *Members in attendance:* Lori Slings, Belinda Rinehart, Jenny Rinehart, Amy Larson, Joanne Moeller, Eric Carr, Darell Butcher, Amanda Webb, Carrie Sponheim, Stephanie Groom

Approval of the minutes: Minutes from September 2024 meeting. Motion to approve by Belinda Rinehart. Second by Joanne Moeller. Motion passes.

Treasurer Report: No report--will have an updated report at November 2024 meeting.

Committee Reports:

- A. Events
 - a. 2024 Fundraiser Event Update/Wrap Up
 - Auction: some items sold at lower value than expected, auctioneer was difficult to follow during some items leading to questions about current bid amount, etc.
 - ii. Dinner: Steak dinner was a nice change from previous years; value and quality was good.
 - iii. Table Setting: centerpieces looked great, table settings (add #'s on the list).
 - iv. Will need to add more bid numbers if attendance continues to grow.
 - v. MC was good. Possibly add an introduction & thank you portion given by a board member.
 - b. 2025 Fundraiser Date—October 25, 2025 (Iowa State Fairgrounds-Animal Learning Center)
 - joni Bell-Great Caterers is going to sponsor the 2025 dinner and host the bar. SEP DFS will receive \$2 per drink sold.
 - c. Board members asked to provide 5 new contacts/invites at each meeting.
- B. Scholarships
 - SEP College Fair-Monday, November 25 (Carrie, Joanne, Eric)
 - i. Create a signup/raffle for a gift card that parents can win.
 - b. Scholarship Donors
 - i. Carrie handed out scholarships to board members to contact. All updates due to Carrie by January 15, 2025.
 - c. Scholarship Structure/Subcommittees
 - i. Selection Committee: will consist of President, Treasurer, Scholarship Chair, DFS Member (school employee-Darell Butcher), and an at-large community member
 - ii. Donor Subcommittee: all DFS board members that contact scholarship donors
 - iii. Award Night Subcommittee: DFS Member (School Employee)-Jenny, Belinda, Linda.
- C. Grant Update
 - a. No update
- D. Marketing
 - Committee will meet soon now that the fundraiser event is finished and focus is shifting.
- E. Bylaws
 - a. No Update
- F. Board Educational Update
 - a. No Update

- G. Student Liaison Update
 - a. Slideshow at the DFS Dinner Auction looked great.
 - b. Will focus on applying for scholarships
- H. Other Committee Reports
 - a. Apparel Order: each board member will receive a t-shirt, email Belinda your t-shirt size. Belinda will send out a link to order additional apparel.

Old Business: None

Other:

a. Next meeting: November 20, 2024.

Belinda made a motion to adjourn at 7:01pm. Stephanie seconded.