Texas School for the Deaf FOUNDATION

TSDF AGENDA

Friday, March 24, 2017

TSDF Board Meeting MPR Room

Minutes

Present:

Emmy, Claire, Susana, Mark, Brent, Bill, Mike, Hal, Oliver, Keena, Jack, Bobbie Beth, Evan, Parker Staff: Cindy and Carol

1. Welcome - Jack

Jack welcomed the board and opened the meeting at 7:35 AM

2. Minutes From February Meeting Approval -Jack

Minutes approval was tabled from February meeting until April 21 meeting

3. Financial Reports

Jack announced that Keith Lanford has moved away from Austin so he will no longer be our assistant treasurer. Mike suggested that we contact Keith to see if he will stay on as an advisory member. Carol will try to contact Keith.

TSDF Budget report: Emmy presented the budget, notes:

Year End appeal brought in \$50,000,

Quantum interface investment now is a total of \$35,000.

Question on the \$5000 that is designated for the summer programs for TSD. Claire has said that summer programs will be cancelled for this year, what to do with the \$5000? Will discuss at end of meeting today.

Investments Hal gave investment report,

There will be a meeting of the investment committee in 2 weeks at the TSD campus. Brad asked if Nathan was still handling our investments at Austin Trust. Hal said yes Nathan is. Our investments are now near \$950,000 we are nearing our 1 million dollar goal.

2015 –2016 Audit and taxes – Brad asked Carol to ask Reynolds and Franke to get started on these Carol will contact Reynolds and Franke on this

4.Executive Director Search Jack

Mark presented a copy of the RFP that will be sent out and posted. The applicants are to submit by April 17 in the hopes that the executive board can review these at our April 17 meeting.

The RFP will be sent out by Danny Lacey and Liza Chabokrow, the search committee heads. Emmy wants to know the plan after they are sent out. The search committee will review the RPF's and send recommendations to the Executive Board. Posting on Indeed, facebook, and sending to any one who we know in the nonprofit world.

Carol will send to Lisa Dirks and Michelle Thiebolt.

Danny and Liza will post on the Indeed and other sites as well as send to Mission Capital Carol will post on our TSDF website and on our facebook page.

Jack has announced that a survey that was created by JEeanne Marie and Mark Seeger will be sent out to all board members. Please take 30 minutes to fill this out . We need your input to get ideas on what our goals will be in the next 4 years.

Survey will be sent via Survey Monkey. You can also have an ASL version in person by Mark Seeger and Jack Busenbark, just let them know to set up .

6. **Hispanic Outreach Update** Mark

Mark updated the board on the progress of the Hispanic Outreach project.

Mark is facilitating a meeting of the committee in early April to narrow down the focus, and will include persons from the Valley via skype. That way the Valley community will take ownership of the project. Texas A&M is also interested in being involved. Claire met with Texas A&M interested persons.

7. Fundraiser Update Carol

Amplify Austin update – Made around \$15,600, not quite our goal of \$17,000

Gala – the committee is working hard to get the final details outlined. Please look for your invitation in the next week . Get your tickets online at www.tsdfoundation.org.

We have \$42,000 in sponsorships. Many board members and their businesses are sponsors. Thank you for this. If you have a gala auction item, bring to the next TSDF board meeting. We can use many more gift **cards**

Nelson Puett Foundation Donation – They sent letter that they signed and Carol signed that indicates that they will donate \$50,000 over the next 5 years for improvement of the Culinary Arts Dept.

They sent the first installment on March 1

Brad said to let the bookkeeper know that this is a

\$50,000 donation dated March 1, 2017 with deferred payments over the next 4 years.

8. New Fundraiser Announcement Carol

Timothy Avedikian a high school junior from Plano Texas is going to propose to the Children of the American Revolution , a high school organization , that TSD ASL will be their philanthropy project for the next year. Timothy is running for president of this organization and the president proposes a project in his campaign. He is running unopposed , so will most likely win . he will create a button to promote this ASL story telling project , these buttons are sold for \$10 each to the adult members of the DAR and SAR, this will bring in around \$5000 - \$10,000 next year for the ASL story telling project, All funds will be passed through to TSD ASL storytelling, as this is one of the requirements of this organization and what philanthropy project they do. Carol has said she will stay on as a volunteer next year to see this project through . More info to come, he would like to come to homecoming to see the campus and to the Sept TSDF board meeting to present his project .

9. **TSD update** Claire Bugen

Claire presented an update on the legislature and what TSD is needing.

10. Summer programs funds

Mark proposed that we gift the \$5000 to TSD and let Claire use these funds for our initiatives, as she sees needs. Brad seconded.

All in favor. Motion passes.

Carol will have the bookkeeper send the check for \$5000 to TSD, care of Claire Bugen, she will let us know what these funds will be used for.

11. Future Meeting Dates and Gala info Jack

Jack reminded all to purchase tickets to the Gala:

Hal asked attire, Carol indicated that no jeans, girls will wear cocktail attire, men slacks, jacket, but not required.

Diamond Gala Starry Starry Night
Friday, May 5, 2017
Hilton Downtown Austin
5:00 – 6:00 VIP Preview Party
6:00 doors open to all
7:00 Dinner and Program

Next meeting is Friday, April 21 MPR room 7:30 AM – 9:15 AM

12. **Adjourn** at 9:15 AM