

MINUTES

Canyons Education Foundation Board Meeting

3/20/2025 7:30 AM / Meeting held at CSD offices and called to order by Fred Lowry

ATTENDANCE

Present: Brad Snow, Landon Bradfield, Bill Rappleye, Nikki Stevenson, David Blain, Katie Dahle, Greg Summerhays, Fred Lowry, Amanda Morton, Brenda Suta, Michelle Mitton, Shawn Newell, Don Willie, Haeli Barlow, Brian Parker, Rick Robins, Jenn Andrs, Denise Haycock, Mckayla Snow

Phone: Kimberly Bell, Marci Houseman, Suzanne Harrison, Quinn Sperry, Aaron Metcalfe

Excused: Dan C. Jorgensen, Mila Gleason, John Martindale, Brooke Carn, Susan Edwards, Katie Lowder, Mike Van Roosendaal, Bonnie Billings

Guests: Greta Anderson, John Hallgren

WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS & BOARD BUSINESS- Fred Lowry, Board President

- Welcome everyone.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Bill Rappleye made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 20, 2025, meeting with a second from Shawn Newell. The minutes were unanimously approved.

RBC Endowment Accounts- John Hallgren, Financial Advisor

RBC Endowment Update- Breakdown of the market and how the year is going for investments. We're predominantly stock investors but we do have cash for scholarship purposes. We're trying to create stability. This is based on our investment policy statement, so John follows the conservative guidelines he was given. Some donors want to donate stock, John helps facilitate that. We take 10% of our fundraiser funds and contribute to the endowment so it grows slowly but consistently. Denise will add ways to give to the website. We should review our manager of funds every 3 years. Executive board meeting will review RFP to address in board meeting in May or August and we will revisit the Investment Policy Statement.

FOUNDATION REPORT- Denise Haycock, Development Officer

Canyon Strong Scholarships- Amazing kids. We delivered all 'big checks' to the winners. The gala emcee will tell the story of all students combined. Each recipient will receive a gold Canyons coin from Dr. Robins at the event.

Innovation Grants- Albion Middle School grant with the author was a huge success (check out social media). Author did a podcast with us and an interview at Channel 13. Author loved the experience.

Teacher of the Year- Awards have gone out and teachers have been notified. We provided a \$250 gift and a nice note from the Board. Each gift was over \$600. Ceremony is April 15th at Midvale Middle School with actual awards a little later. Board of Education is donating RSL jerseys and an engraved crystal.

Accounting dept. prefers we not give gift cards to teachers. Katie will work on putting exception into the policy for Teacher of the Year.

Scholarship Nights- Need board members for each high school to present for each awards night.

Pickleball Tournament- May 10th at 5 – 10 pm and raising money for the foundation. Pickleball USA can put it together. All money raised will go to Unified Sports and Scheels is backing us. Get posters and advertise at Pickleball USA.

Golf Tournament- Time to start selling. We already have about 15 teams signed up. September 18. Possibly Black Clover could donate something – they did a table sponsorship for the gala and gave back to the Foundation to use.

Unified Sports- 3 teams in the state championship at Delta center on March 26th. The final is Friday.

GALA- Greg Summerhays, Committee Chair

- Just recently confirmed speakers and Jordan Madrigal choir. Hillcrest will bring robots and students. AI specialist (ISD) is bringing the team and using 3 tables to display what's being done. Heads or tails fidgets (\$25). 10 prize baskets for opportunity drawing (\$5). Centerpieces can be purchased at \$50 each. 2 photoboos. At 256 seats currently but selling more. New businesses attending this year!
- We're \$4,000 shy of our goal of \$100,000. Brian is finalizing renderings for prints to bring to Gala. \$96,000 in sponsorships so far. Ruth's Chris Manager donated gifts cards and is interested in joining our board. Expenses for the gala are around \$20,000.
- Canyons Strong video along with eBay building video. Dr. Robins will speak. Overall, it's more of a teaser than hard facts. New director Reid Newey will be there to interact.
- Board members should be there at 5:45 pm to welcome guests and direct. Wear your badge, mix and mingle, and reach out to scholarship winners and make them feel so special.

DISTRICT REPORT- Dr. Rick Robins, Superintendent

- Almost all eBay employees are out. Dr. Robins wants to invite all eBay employees back when the building is filled with 2,000 HS students. Currently in the design phase with MHTN.
- Just wrapped up legislative session. It was challenging but now we're working with it. Collective bargaining bill has changed a lot along with budgeting.
- Attended a robotics competition on Saturday and had a couple of CSD alum in the engineering program at the U there interacting. They said they wanted the innovation center when they were here. They want to be involved and come out and mentor. Hill AFB wants to come out and be involved as well.

NEXT MEETING

April 17, 2025- Canyons District Offices

Motion to adjourn by Greg Summerhays, seconded by Don Willie at 8:50 am