

# WI-UM Kiwanis District Foundation, Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting

October 21, 2021

## Minutes

**Call to Order:** A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Wisconsin - Upper Michigan Kiwanis District Foundation, Inc. (KDF) was called to order by President Jim Burmeister, at 6:00 pm on Thursday October 21, 2021, via Zoom.

### Roll Call:

**Board members present:** President Jim Burmeister, Immediate Past President Jan Williams, Vice President Roger Krogstad, Past Governor Representative Justin Hahn, Secretary/Treasurer Mark Finger, Directors: Div. 4 Jim Buskel, Div. 6 Dennis Andreasen, Div. 7 Glenda Lee, Div. 8 Ken Irwin, Div. 9 Louise Gudex, Div. 10 Mary Ann Wepfer, 11 Lori Bents, Div. 12 Debbie Suennen Rickard.

**Ex-Officio members present:** Governor Larry Koziol, Past President Representative Paul Shrode, Financial Consultant Dave Morrison,

**Board Members absent and excused:** Governor-Elect Bill Abbott, Directors: Div. 1 Vacant, Div. 2 Vacant, Div. 3 Vacant, Div. 5 Vacant, Div. 13 Vacant, Div. 14 Vacant.

**Ex-officio members absent and excused:** Webmaster Bec Loss.

**Secretary Establish Quorum:** Secretary Mark Finger noted a quorum was present at the time.

**Timekeeper:** Roger Krogstad volunteered to be timekeeper.

**Approval of Agenda:** Wepfer moved and was seconded to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

**Approval of the Discussion Time Limit:** Irwin moved and was seconded the discussion time be limited to 10 minutes with the option to extend by motion. Motion passed.

**Approval of the Minutes:** Buskel moved and was seconded to approve the [minutes of the August 26, 2021](#), board meeting. Motion passed.

### Officers Reports

**President:** Jim noted the orientation meeting that was held last week and thanked those that attended.

**Vice President:** Roger was not able to attend last week's orientation but is looking forward to watching the recording. He will be contacting the Lt. Governors to encourage their clubs to contribute to the foundation.

**Immediate Past President:** No report.

**Investment Advisor Report:** Dave Morrison provided an update to the [investment fund](#). Dave reviewed briefly the [Investment Policy](#) as requested and noted that there are a few things that need to be updated.

### Secretary/Treasurer Report

Mark presented the 2020-2021 finance reports: [Operating vs Budget](#) and the [Club Annual Contribution](#). Mark will work on updating the Bylaws and Policies. Mark also noted there probably will be additional expenses now that he is no longer the Executive Director for the district (printer, label printer, some software programs and travel to the Midyears).

### Unfinished Business

**Review and adjust Bylaw Article V Board of Directors**

Mark reviewed the [Bylaw Article V Board of Directors](#). He noted those that are Ex-Officio Non-Voting members (some were incorrectly noted as voting members in the past). Jim Burmeister noted, prior to the meeting, the number of directors on the board needs to be changed from 12 to 14 to correspond to the number of divisions in the district. After discussion, Buskel moved and was seconded to change the number of board of directors from 12 to: Directors elected to the Foundation's Board of Directors for three (3) year terms of office each representing a division from the WI-UM Kiwanis District. Motion passed.

## **New Business**

### **2021-2022 Budget**

Lori Bents reviewed the proposed 21-22. After much discussion, Bents moved and was seconded to approve the expense budget as presented (far right column). Motion passed.

### **Grant Request**

#### **La Crosse**

Wepfer moved and was seconded to approve La Crosse Kiwanis club's grant request. Motion passed.

#### **Eau Claire Clear Water**

Bents moved and was seconded to approve Eau Claire Clear Water Kiwanis club's grant request. Motion passed.

### **501c3 Requests**

#### **Plover - Wild Rose**

Bents moved and was seconded to approve both Plover Kiwanis club's and Wild Rose Kiwanis club's 501c3 requests. Motion passed.

### **Midyear Fundraiser(s)**

Krogstad moved and was seconded to hold a Basket Raffle on site at the three Midyears. Motion passed.

### **2021 Committee appointments**

Executive and Finance: Bents – one director-at-large and Andreasen

By-laws and Policies: Burmeister, Irwin, Gudex, Krogstad

Fundraising: Pachucki, Suennen Rickard, Hahn, Lee

Grants and Scholarships: Suennen Rickard, Bents, Buskel, Gudex

Individual Donor/Charitable Giving: Shrode, Irwin, Krogstad

Marketing, Development and Public Relations: Hahn, Wepfer

Nominations and Elections: Williams

### **Announcements/Additional Items**

Paul Shrode brought up the need to update our online presence (Fred Dietze had sent an email with concerns). Facebook is very out of date. Some of the items on the website page need to be updated (bylaws and policies for example). It was suggested that that the Marketing/Public Relations look at what can be done.

Lori Bents asked for clarification on what the requirements are for a Distinguished Van Kleef. Is it a second \$1,000.00 contribution or an additional \$2,000.00 contribution? Bents moved and was seconded that a second \$1,000.00 contribution would qualify for a Distinguished Van Kleef. Motion passed. The Distinguished Van Kleef comes with a medallion only.

### **Meeting Schedule**

The meeting schedule for the rest of the year is: January 27, April 28, June 23, and maybe August 16 (will look at if we need to hold it at the convention). All meetings will be at 6:00 pm via Zoom.

### **Adjournment**

Lee moved and was seconded to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wisconsin - Upper Michigan Kiwanis District Foundation, Inc.  
Mark Finger, Secretary/Treasurer