

Meeting Minutes of the
Ozark Foothills Regional Community Foundation (OFRCF)
September 10, 2019, 4:00pm
Via Conference Call

PRESENT

Marie Obourn, Reverend Annette Joseph, Russell French, Rebeca Pacheco, Jan Brown, Felicity Ray, Susan Skaggs, Staff – Crystal Jones

ABSENT

Greg Kirk, Ed Thompson, Dr. Scott Dill

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Russell French at 4:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

The meeting minutes from July 9, 2019 were reviewed. Jan Brown made a motion to approve the minutes, Rev. Annette Joseph seconded, all approved.

FUND BALANCES

Crystal Jones reported the market value of the OFRCF funds as of 9/10/2019 as \$1,474,846.85.

BOARD MEMBER RESIGNATIONS

Crystal Jones reported two resignations from the board of directors. Scott Preslar and Sis. Anne Francioni both resigned from the board citing time constraints. Susan Skaggs made a motion to accept the resignations, Marie Obourn seconded, all approved.

The board discussed names of potential board members to fill empty positions. Currently, there is need for a Butler County, Reynolds County, At-large, and OFRPC board member representative. Jan Brown will approach Dr. James S.C. Jones and Craig Barwick and assess their interest in joining. Felicity Ray will give some thought to the OFRPC board representative. All will report back with recommendations at the November board meeting.

ACTION: Due to the resignation of Sis. Anne Francioni, a secretary will need to be elected at the next meeting. Crystal will add this to the agenda.

CENTER FOR DISASTER PHILANTHROPY GRANTS UPDATE

Crystal updated the board on the status of the Center for Disaster Philanthropy grant to OFRCF for one outreach and one counselor position for the Doniphan School District. There is \$47,850.32 remaining out of \$94,385 in grant funds. This is unchanged from the July meeting.

Crystal also updated the board on the status of the Carter County Flood Recovery Coordinator project. There is \$12,628.95 remaining out of \$49,717.80. This is unchanged from the July meeting.

LUNCH AND LEARN FOLLOW UP

Crystal provided an update to the Lunch and Learn that was held August 29, 2019 by Dr. James Preston of the University of Missouri. Dr. Preston provided education on the implications to charitable giving on the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. Approximately 10 people attended and lunch was served.

GRANTS/SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

At the May meeting, Judy Cantoni recommended that the board consider establishing a scholarship fund committee for those scholarship funds that would prefer a local decision versus a CFO committee decision. Crystal contacted Maria Bancroft from Meramec to learn how their committees are established. Maria provided that information via email. Susan Skaggs asked if establishing this committee was included in the bylaws. Crystal reviewed the bylaws and the only committee authorized is an executive committee. Marie Obourn asked if the information from Meramec can be forwarded prior to the next meeting so the board has time to review and discuss the best path forward.

ACTION: Crystal will email the information on establishing a grant/scholarship committee from the Meramec Community Foundation and the OFRCF bylaws for board member review. This topic will be added to the November agenda.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Crystal provided all board members with information on upcoming CFO trainings as listed on the agenda. Crystal will email more detailed information about these trainings to all board members.

Judy Cantoni requested 2 – 3 highlights from the previous year that could be added to the CFO annual report. Board discussed highlighting the grant opportunities this board provided. Crystal will forward to Judy as requested.

Next meeting set for November 5, 2019 at 4:00 pm at the Poplar Bluff School District Superintendent’s Office in Poplar Bluff, MO.

ADJOURN

Felicity Ray made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Jan Brown seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm.

Russell French, Chairman

Date Approved

Sr. Anne Francioni, Secretary

Date Approved