

**Williston State College Foundation
Board Meeting
Tuesday, September 20 2022
11:30 p.m.**

Present: Board Members, Secretary/Treasury Katie Kringen, Lee Murphy, Melanie Stillwell, Taylor Olson, Jory Meyer, Jackie Lee, Bill Gathman and Rick Medalen. **Others present:** Lance Olson, WSC President, Dr. Bernell Hirning, Executive Director, Hunter Berg, Chief Financial Officer Laurie Furuseth, Officer Manager, Kim Gratz and Donor Relations and Community Outreach Coordinator, Kristina Kitchens.

Via Phone: Larry Grondahl

Absent: Ward Koeser and Brandon Johnson

Vice President Grondahl asked Hunter Berg to conduct the meeting.

Prior to the Board meeting, Jason Arnson, Lynn Leininger and Jeff Clarke, representing Williston Energy Center (Hockey Project) presented the plans for the development of a hockey/event center complex at the old airport location. After some discussion, the Board agreed to revisit this at the November 2022 meeting. It was also decided, Katie Kringen, Kristina Kitchens and Lance Olson will attend the October 6, 2022, meeting at the old airport hangar as this committee will be going 'live'.

Hunter Berg introduced Lance Olson, the newest Board member. Mr. Olson will be replacing Larry Grondahl who goes off the Board in October of 2022.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

- 1. Consent Agenda:**
 - a. Minutes dated August 16, 2022**
 - b. Bank Transaction Reports**
 - c. Cash Balances**
 - d. Financial Statements**
 - 1. WSC Foundation**
 - 2. Supporting Foundation**
 - 3. WSC Housing**
 - 4. WSC Housing – Year to Date Budget to Actual**
 - e. Investment Report**
 - f. Oil Income Report**
 - g. Gaming Report**
 - h. Housing Vacancy Report**
 - i. Conflict of Interest Policy/Questionnaire**

made by Rick Medalen, seconded by Taylor Olson, motion carried.

Updates:

Dr. Hirning:

- Fall Enrollment figures
- Strategy Sessions in Bismarck
- Capital Project (Health Care Building)
- TrainND graduated the first student ever for “Beyond Visual Line of Sight”
- 2+2 agreements with 4-year schools
- Request for Grant for the meal at the Veteran’s Symposium in the amount of \$610.00. Motion by Director Murphy to approve this request. Seconded by Director Lee. Motion carried.

Athletics: Dr. Hirning reported for Jayden Olson:

- Interviews are ongoing for the administrative assistant position
- Gun raffle tickets are available for sale

Foundation: Kristina Kitchens updated the Board concerning the happenings at the Foundation:

- Alumni Banquet is tonight, 9/20/22 at 5 p.m. at the Skadeland Gym
- Giving Day is tomorrow, 9/21/2022

Old Business:

Turf Project: Discussion followed concerning the cost of the project and who is on board to donate. After much discussion, motion by Director Rick Medalen to match dollar for dollar up to \$2 million maximum match, by the Williston State College Foundation, Williston State College, and the Teton Booster Club, all of which will work together to research various funding/fundraising sources for the commitment. Motion carried.

Southern Property: The property will be seeded in the spring of 2023.

Giving Day: The annual Giving Day is tomorrow, September 21st.

Nominating Committee: The October agenda will include the need for a new Vice President to be appointed as Larry Grondahl will be going off the Board.

Gaming Benefits: Rosie Marquez is researching various quotes

Monuments Reveal: The VIP Reveal is Tuesday, September 27th and the Public Reveal is scheduled for Wednesday, September 28th.

Audit Update: Brady Martz will be at the October Board meeting for the annual audit review.

WSC Daycare: Director Taylor Olson requested to discuss this project along with Shawn Wenko, at the November 2022 Board meeting.

New Business:

Suite E – University of Mary has expressed interest in renting the space. Hunter will visit with their representative and let the Board know at the next meeting.

Outdoor Pool: John Kasmer and Dean Aafedt would like to attend the Board's November 2022 meeting to give an update on this project.

Bras for a Cause: Motion by Director Lee, seconded by Director Gathman to donate to this cause from gaming funds. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

**Hunter Berg
Executive Director**