

FoWY Monthly Meeting Minutes

December 8, 2021 / 6:30 PM / WY Library

Absences: Excused (Jie Li; Stephanie Majca)

Unexcused (n/a)

Guests : Deb Keegan, Pamela Conroy

Call to Order: 6:35 PM (Lynne Radomski)

September minutes reviewed/approved: Arlyne Chin/Allan Chhay

October agenda reviewed/approved: Allan Chhay/Yolanda Paramore

President's Report (Arlyne Chin)

*Thanked community for participating in Giving Tuesday; expressed importance of Board participating in school fundraising events. Further details provided in Development report.

*Announced the return of Neighborhood socials. Two in December: 12/7 in Beverly, hosted by Madeline O'Malley; 12/9 in Lincoln Park, hosted by Jenny Necheles. If anyone is interested in hosting one, please contact Arlyne; FoWY will give assistance in advertising the events.

Committee Reports

- 1) **Alumni** (Danielle Craan): there will be no Alumni holiday party this year; she will keep us posted with other Alumni events as they arise.
- 2) **Annual Fund/Grants** (Patty Andrade):
 - thanked Committee: Patty, Steven, Arlyne, Allan, Stephanie, Bill, Yolanda, Natasha
 - met a couple times to discuss grant requests; sent a recommended list of awards to Dr. Kenner
 - \$51K was approved; no senior experiences were included. Emails will go out tomorrow to the recipients.
 - Allan discussed some requests that might be covered by the capital campaign...1) \$5,000 for a privacy suite in the Counseling Office (through WY Refresh). There was a motion to approve that spending (Allan Chhay/Patty Andrade); motion passed by the Board. 2) \$1680 for LED fixtures in bathrooms to improve energy efficiency (through the Capital Campaign). There was a motion to approve that spending (Lynne Radomski/Bill May); motion passed by the Board.
 - Dolphin Pond: a project to provide seed money for student entrepreneurial projects up to \$1000 (as opposed to submitting grant requests). Steven met with Mr. Soto to determine guidelines for requests. Selection will be made by a panel vote, and Steven will join the panel. Initial seed investment: \$5000 (to increase if needed). First round will be announced in January 2022. Repeat requests will be considered within certain parameters. Internal marketing at school will take place through Mobile ID.
- 3) **Communications** (Allan/Arlyne):
 - Online Directory was launched (through Directory Spot app); more than 200 parents to date have registered. Post in the Weekly to encourage more participation. Pamela Conroy will post it in the FB groups she administers (Classes of 2023 and 2027). More options are available on the website (vs the app) for personalizing the family profiles.
- 4) **Community/Volunteer** (Lynne Radomski): no report; hopes to meet with committee in the new year.
 - Steven discussed Faculty/Staff Appreciation options; hopefully we will know more about restrictions after the holiday break.
 - Always looking for ideas to better reach our Community

- 5) **Development/Fundraising** (Deb Keegan):
 - Recap of Giving Tuesday. Raised \$60,000 (goal was \$75,000). Money will go to Annual Fund, WY Refresh and Dolphin Pond. The video used was very helpful, Deb suggested we find a more permanent home for it on our website.
 - Annual Fund: total raised to date is \$45K (beyond what was raised through Giving Tuesday).
 - The Donor Wall panel will be installed by the end of the year.
 - Reminder: Spring Bash will be held April 2, 2022 at Venue West. Spring Bash raffle kickoff December 9 (\$10,000 cash; iPad; Apple Watch). Event kickoff in January.
 - Deb will begin showing the Whitney Young film “selectED” again to elementary schools.
- 6) **Finance** (Jie Li/Steven Chen):
 - no report
- 7) **Student Report** (Ben Wang):
 - no report
- 8) **Nominating** (Allan Chhay):
 - no report
- 9) **Policy** (Patty Andrade): no report
- 10) **LSC** (Arlyne Chin):
 - Next LSC meeting: Wednesday, Dec 15 at 5:30 PM (virtual). All are welcome.
 - Hot Topics session on Gender Identity was held; not well attended. LSC will send surveys going forward to improve offerings.

New Business:

- Report any Facilities issues to Brad Vesprini at LSC: vesprini@umich.edu
- FoWY will provide hyperlinks for any videos on their website and on the main WY page when possible (e.g. Open House and Giving Tuesday).

Meeting Adjourned: 7:47 PM (Arlyne Chin/Stacey Young)

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 12, 2022 at 6:30 PM (Whitney Young Library)