

MERAMEC REGIONAL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 13, 2020

Members Present: (In Person) Vicki Lange (Osage); (Virtual) Greg Harris (MRCF At-Large) and Randy Becht (Pulaski)

Members Absent: Gary Brown (Dent), Jared Niederer (Gasconade), Wendy Young (Phelps), Cindy Merx (Washington), Steve Vogt (MRPC At-Large), Ray Walden (MRPC At-Large), and Bonnie Prigge (MRPC Executive Director)

Staff Present: Maria Bancroft, Foundation Coordinator

Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance: Chairman Lange called the meeting to order at approximately 9:35 a.m.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes were tabled for review for the December meeting.

Board Officer Appointment– Secretary/Treasurer: The appointment for secretary/treasurer was tabled for the December meeting due to lack of a quorum.

MRCF Community Grantmaking Fund Progress Reports & New Grant Cycle: Bancroft updated the board with progress reports from each grantee submitted for last year's round. Bancroft indicated that the new grant cycle will begin on October 31, 2020 and applications will be available online on CFO's webpage platform. Applications will be accepted through January 29, 2021 at 5 p.m. Bancroft will send grant notification to past applicants as well as schools in the region. The grant award for St. James Parks and Recreation were unable to move forward with their youth sports program because of COVID-19. The board agreed to allow the grantee to use the funds for their department's needs that will support their local youth once they can do so.

Newburg Community Grantmaking Endowment Fund: Bancroft presented information to administer the grant for future awards from the Newburg Community Grantmaking Endowment Fund. There is \$8,039 available to award towards projects in the Newburg community. The fund This fund needs to grant in fiscal year 2020-2021 because there had not been grants made

since being established in 2005. The grant will follow the same online application platform with the MRCF board reviewing applications and making recommendations for awards.

MRCF Fund Balance Report: Bancroft presented the current fund balance report as of September 30, 2020.

MRCF Goals and Action Plan Updates: There were no community updates and goals reported.

Closing Remarks & Adjournment: Being no further business for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:15 a.m. There will not be a board meeting in November.

SAVE THE DATE: CFO Annual Affiliate Virtual Conference 2020 Annual National Conference for Growing Community Foundations – The deadline for conference registration is **Thursday, October 15 at 5 p.m.**

Approved by the board on _____, 2020

Vicki Lange, Chair

Attested by Secretary or other MRCF Officer