

# MERAMEC REGIONAL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, November 8, 2022

**Members Present:** Gary Brown (Dent), Tony Hayden (Osage-Zoom), Randy Becht (Pulaski), Richard Cavender (MRCF At-Large), Steve Vogt (MRPC At-Large), and Bonnie Prigge (MRPC Executive Director)

**Members Absent:** Jared Niederer (Gasconade), Deborah Henderson (Maries)

**Guest Present:** John Craig

**Staff Present:** Maria Bancroft

**Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance and Guest Introductions:** Becht called the board meeting to order at approximately 9:37 a.m. and led the group with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Board Appointments:** Bancroft presented the board with three nominations for the board positions representing Crawford County, Phelps County, and MRCF At-Large appointments. The nominees are John Craig for Crawford County, Amy Pendleton for Phelps County, and John Meusch for MRPC At-Large. Vogt made a motion to approve the nominees as presented, seconded by Cavender. Motion passed.

**Ratifications (Board Officers and New Appointments):** Bancroft requested the board to ratify the new board officers approved on August 9, 2022 and appointment of Richard Cavender to serve as MRCF At-Large. Prigge made a motion to approve the new officers and Richard Cavender's appointment for MRCF At-Large as presented, seconded by Hayden. Motion passed.

**CFO Anniversary Daffodil Project – Maria Bancroft:** The board reviewed seven proposals submitted for the daffodil anniversary grant project. Each recipient can receive up to 500 bulbs plus \$500 in grant funds to cover planting expenses. Bulbs must be planted by November 30, 2022. Pictures and grant reports to be due by April 30, 2023. After review and discussion, the following applicants were chosen for the grant:

1. City of Waynesville for a \$500 grant and 500 bulbs
2. Bland Middle School for a \$500 grant and 500 bulbs

Prigge made a motion to approve the two applications as presented, seconded by Vogt. Motion passed.

**Approval of Minutes – Chairman Niederer:** The board reviewed the meeting minutes from April 20, 2022 and August 9, 2022. Prigge made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from April 20, 2022, seconded by Cavender. Motion passed. Vogt made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from August 9, 2022, seconded by Brown. Motion passed.

**Schierloh Maries R2 Schools Scholarship:** Bancroft provided an update on the administrative changes for the Schierloh Maries County R2 Schools Scholarship for Spring 2023. The fund has

been converted to a donor advised scholarship fund. MRCF staff will administer the scholarship beginning in the Spring 2023 by creating an online scholarship application, send request for references on each applicant, write check funds to student's school, communicate with financial aid officials, and oversee the scholarship to ensure it follows the donor's criteria. The monitoring and distribution of scholarship funds will be conducted in August/September and December/January of each year.

**MRCF Fund Balance Report:** Staff presented the current fund balance report as of October 31, 2022.

Current total number of funds: 60

Current total portfolio balance: \$3,590,118.63

Total number of new funds in FY 22-23:

1. Rolla Downtown Business Association
2. Osage County R-3 Fatima School District

**MRCF Goals and Action Plan Updates:** There were no community updates shared by the board.

**Comments for the Good of the Order – Chairman Niederer**

*Next board meeting – December 13, 2022 @ 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Judy Cantoni, CFO regional manager, will present foundation 101 to educate board members and updates.*

**Closing Remarks & Adjournment:** Being no further business to conduct, Vogt made a motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 10:38 a.m., seconded by Cavender. Motion passed.

**Approved by the board on \_\_\_\_\_, 2022**

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**Jared Niederer, Board Chair**

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**Attested by Secretary or other MRCF Officer**