

MERAMEC REGIONAL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
MEETING MINUTES
February 15, 2023

Members Present: By Zoom: Tony Hayden (Osage), Amy Pendleton (Phelps), Steve Vogt (MRPC At-Large). In Person: Gary Brown (Dent), Jared Niederer (Gasconade), and Richard Cavender (MRCF At-Large).

Members Absent: John Craig (Crawford), Deborah Henderson (Maries), Randy Becht (Pulaski), and Bonnie Prigge (MRPC Executive Director).

Staff Present: Maria Bancroft, Foundation Coordinator

Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance: Chairman Jared Niederer called the meeting to order at approximately 9:35 a.m. and led the group with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes: The board reviewed the minutes from November 8, 2022, and December 13, 2022. For the November 8th minutes, Cavender made a motion to approve as presented, seconded by Brown. Motion passed. For the December 13th minutes, Hayden made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Brown. Motion passed.

MRCF Community Grant Making Fund: The board reviewed and discussed the 19 applications received for this year's community grant-making fund. There is \$1,500 available to award in grants this year (up to \$500 per award). After discussion and each board member sharing their top picks, the following applications were selected for funding:

1. Hayden made a motion to select Pulaski County Salvation Army to receive \$500, seconded by Cavender. Motion passed.
2. Hayden made a motion to select Belle Community Betterment Association to receive \$500, seconded by Brown. Motion passed.
3. Hayden made a motion to select Hope Alliance of Missouri to receive \$500, seconded by Cavender. Motion passed.

MRCF Fund Balance Report: Bancroft presented the current fund balance report as of February 7, 2023 - Maria Bancroft, Staff

Year-End total number of funds: 53

Year-End portfolio balance: \$4,113,168

MRCF Goals and Action Plan Updates: There were no community updates and goals progress to report to the group.

Closing Remarks & Adjournment: Being no further business, Vogt made a motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 10:22 a.m., seconded by Brown. Motion passed.

- i. Invite-a-Friend Luncheon – March 14, 2023 @ 12:30 p.m.
- ii. Scholarships Committee Meeting – April 11, 2023 @ 9:30 a.m.

Approved by the board on _____, 2023

Jared Niederer, Board Chair

Attested by Secretary or other MRCF Officer