# **MRCF BOARD MEETING AGENDA & VIRTUAL CONFERENCE INFORMATION**

**November 25, 2024, at 1:15 p.m.**

**Join Zoom Meeting**

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***The mission of MRCF is to establish endowments that enhance the quality of life for current and future generations by reinvesting the region.***

1. **Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance** – Jared Niederer, Chairman
2. **Approval of Minutes –** Jared Niederer, Chairman

The board will review the minutes from September 17, 2024. ***Board Action Required***

1. **Community Foundation of the Ozarks Guests -** Winter Kinne and Judy Cantoni from CFO will be joining us; hearing what we do and sharing CFO updates.
2. **Grantmaking Criteria/Focus for 2025 – Jared Niederer, Chairman:** The grant round for Meramec Regional Community Foundation (MRCF) will open in January. In the past, we have awarded two $750 community grants. One grant was made to a project that focused on community or economic development and the other assisted at-risk children and/or low-income families. There was discussion last meeting about focusing on Route 66 projects, which would fit under community /economic development efforts. Route 66 runs through Crawford, Phelps and Pulaski counties so we may want to make sure we offer an opportunity for funding in addition to Route 66. *Action Item: Determine focus for 2025 grant awards.*
3. **MRCF Grant Reports 2024 – Jared Niederer, Chairman**
	1. Bourbon Economic Development Group
	2. Hope Alliance of Missouri for Friday Backpack program
4. **MRCF Fund Balance Report** - As of Oct. 31, 2024, total number of funds: 53

Current total portfolio balance: $4,907,379.76 (Increased by $304,102.11 since June 2024)

1. **Board Vacancies–** Jared Niederer, Chairman

There are three vacancies on board. One in Crawford County, one in Dent County, and one in Phelps County. Possible persons to represent those counties will be considered.

1. **MRCF Community Updates:** Board members will be able to share information on philanthropy efforts related to MRC occurring in their communities and region.

**Closing Remarks & Adjournment**

* 1. **Discuss need for December MRCF board meeting –** ScheduledDecember 17th, at 9:30 a.m., MRPC large conference room.