

UPPER MERION TOWNSHIP FOUNDATION
JUNE 20, 2019

The Upper Merion Township Foundation met for a meeting on Thursday, June 20, 2019, in the Township Building. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m., followed by a pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Supervisors present were: Greg Waks, Carole Kenney, Bill Jenaway, Greg Philips and Tina Garzillo. Also present were: Vincent O'Grady, Vice Chairperson; Gerri Vattimo, Staff Liaison. Absent: Laurel Dasher, Secretary,

CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS:

Chairperson Waks stated an executive session was held prior this workshop meeting to discuss a personnel matter.

DISCUSSIONS:

ADDITION OF NEW MEMBERS TO THE FOUNDATION AND THE FOUNDATION SUB-COMMITTEE

Mr. Waks noted that one item that was brought up during the Joint meeting of the Foundation and Board of Supervisors was the addition of new members to the Foundation and the Foundation sub-committee. It was noted by Ms. Vattimo that there is the freedom to change the size or membership of any committee. There has to be ten days prior to the meeting if bylaws are to be changed. Ms. Vattimo also suggested that potential members also be givers, identifiers of givers and prospects and this could be an expectation as it is in most foundation boards. It was clarified that the term of members is one year and no more than six years. Mr. Waks noted that in the last year the sub-committee has consisted of Ms. Vattimo, Mr. O'Grady, Ms. Dasher and himself. One person he would like to add is Jen Lyons and if qualified she could be part of the Foundation if expansion occurs. It was noted by Ms. Vattimo that selection criteria can be voted upon at a later time so it may become public to those applying.

Foundation Action:

It was moved by Mr. O'Grady, seconded by Mr. Philips, all voting "Aye" to add an additional two members to the Foundation board. None opposed. Motion approved 6-0.

FUNDING OF POOL MEMBERSHIPS FOR FAMILIES IN NEED

After a brief discussion regarding needy families inquiring about pool

memberships, it was decided that up to \$3,000.00 be given for the summer, and applicants must be children or children with guardians with everyone having to be vetted.

Foundation Action:

It was moved by Mr. O'Grady, seconded by Ms. Kenney, all voting "Aye" to allocate up to \$3,000.00 for pool memberships. None opposed. Motion approved 6-0.

PURCHASE OF LAPTOP FOR UMASD GRADUATE

A discussion ensued regarding a UMASD graduate in need of a laptop for nursing school. The student lost her mother at a young age and recently lost her father due to cancer. It was suggested and then decided that Ms. Vattimo request a donation by Best Buy.

RESTAURANT FUNDRAISERS


Multiple ideas and concerns were shared regarding restaurant fundraisers. Mr. Waks suggested selecting a restaurant and a percentage be given to that particular cause.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Mr. Waks stated he would circulate an email regarding the next meeting date.

ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved by Mr. Philips, seconded by Ms. Kenney all voting "Aye" to adjourn the meeting. None opposed. Adjournment occurred.



GREG WAKS
CHAIRMAN

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Minutes Approved:

Minutes Entered: