

West Fargo Education Foundation Transitional Board Summary of 04.02.12 Meeting

Attendees: Gary Clark, Jimmy Hoy (via phone), Mark Staples, Karen Nitzkowski, Patti Stedman, Kay Kiefer, Mark Lemer, David Flowers, Heather Konschak, Greg Tehven, Sydney Greenlund

- 1) At the close of the February 20 meeting, community member Greg Tehven had asked all transition board members to brainstorm the mission and purpose of the Foundation. They were asked to consider the needs of the faculty and the students and work through the best way for the Foundation to positively impact those areas...ensure that they work in concert, not competition, with Dollars for Scholars and Packer Backers...think of ways to engage all staff and student alums from West Fargo Public Schools...consider means of raising funds and ways in which to disburse those funds.
- 2) The purpose of the April 2 meeting was to debrief on those brainstorming sessions, and to assign transition board members to one of three areas: How (Structure), Why (Purpose and Focus) or Who (Board Member Names).
- 3) Mark Lemer and Jimmy Hoy will work to draft revised bylaws to reflect the new direction and needs of the Foundation. They will ensure that the revised bylaws also reflect the new membership dictated by the findings of the group assigned to brainstorm the new "Who."
- 4) David Flowers, Kay Kiefer, Gary Clark, Greg Tehven, Mark Staples and Sydney Greenlund will continue to brainstorm ideas regarding the best way for the Foundation to positively impact the school district. They will brainstorm both the events that will bring money into the Foundation, as well as the projects that they would like to see the Foundation fund.
- 5) Clint Schmidt, Allison Otteson and Greg Tehven will continue to brainstorm names of individuals or corporations who should have a place on either the core executive board or the fundraising arm of the Foundation.
- 6) The transitional board plans to meet again in six weeks to review the products of their brainstorming.