West Fargo Educational Foundation September 21, 2015

Attendees (*in person*): Tim Petersen, Judy Kvaale, Kaitlyn Kuntz, Angela Ottesen, Heather Konschak, Nancy Peterson, Karen Nitzkorski, Mark Berntson, Gary Clark, Attendees (*via phone*): Shauna Vistad, Clint Schmidt

1. Membership

- a. Karen Nitzkorski moved, seconded by Gary Clark, to appoint Judy Kvaale to the Foundation Board. The motion carried unanimously.
- b. Nancy Peterson moved, seconded by Mark Berntson, to accept Karen Nitzkorski's resignation from the Board, effective October 2. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Hall of Fame

a. Ticket Sales

- i. At this time, ticket sales are slow. Please encourage people to purchase tickets in advance so an accurate food count can be provided to the Speedway.
- ii. A generous donor purchased 50 tickets last week and donated them all to WFPS. The tickets have been given to WFHS for distribution as they see fit.

b. Silent Auction

i. 17 donations have been collected thus far. There are at least seven more in the works.

c. Event Logistics

- i. The Forum agreed to provide free advertising on the event in the Pioneer, do articles both before and after the event, and donate the programs for the event.
- ii. The Speedway Event Center has donated the use of the event space and all table linens. The Ottesens have donated the centerpieces and are working on a floral donation as well.
- iii. The WFHS Jazz Ensemble will perform that evening, starting at 6:00 PM.
- iv. The menu has been confirmed as beef tips, chicken cordon bleu, garlic mashed potatoes and glazed carrots. A vegetarian option will also be available.
- v. Decorating will begin at 9:00 AM on Thursday, October 1. Final preparations will begin around 4:30 PM that evening.

vi. Social hour starts @ 6:00 PM; meal served @ 6:45; ceremony @ 7:30.

d. Hall of Fame Inductees

- i. Angela is working with WFHS Asst. Principal Wayne Samson to create opportunities for the inductees to interact with WFHS students. Mary Knox Johnson, Paul Laney and Robert Becklund have agreed to speak if asked. One of the softball team members is a partner at the Casselton vet clinic and she has offered field trips to science classes.
- ii. Inductee biographies are due this week. The bios will be included in the program.
- iii. Plaques will not be ready for the event, so certificates will be distributed there and the plaques will be delivered later on.

e. Sponsorships

i. Bell State Bank, Western State Bank, Gate City Bank, Ohnstad Twichell and Sanford have been confirmed as event sponsors for a total of \$3,000.

f. Emcee Update

i. WFHS Counselor Jamie Zuel will emcee this year's event.

3. Softball Team - Update

a. After the selection of inductees was announced, Foundation members were contacted with questions about the selection of the softball team to be honored. There was a discrepancy in information about the year of the first official team (some thought the team chosen to be inducted was a year too soon); that has been sorted out and the Foundation is accurate in their selection of the 1993 softball team.

4. Next Steps

- a. The next meeting is Monday, October 19 at 7:30 AM at the LEC.
- b. Agenda items will include:
 - i. Debrief Hall of Fame
 - ii. Mini-Grants for 2015-16