

Meeting Minutes of the  
Ozark Foothills Regional Community Foundation (OFRCF)  
February 8, 2022, 4:00pm  
Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission/Virtual

PRESENT

Russell French, Rebeca Pacheco, Crystal Jones, Dr. Jim Jones, Felicity Ray, Susan Skaggs, Marie Obourn, Ted Thompson, Judy Cantoni – CFO, Lydia Keller – OFRPC

ABSENT

Dr. Scott Dill

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Russell French at 4:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

The meeting minutes from December 14, 2021, were reviewed. Marie Obourn made a motion to approve the minutes, Crystal Jones, seconded, all approved.

FUND BALANCES

Crystal Jones reported the market value of the OFRCF funds as of 02/08/2022 as \$2,047,584.38.

GRANT MAKING BUDGET

Crystal presented grant application draft #2 for the FY2023 grant cycle for additional corrections and approval. Rebeca Pacheco made a motion to approve the grant application, Marie Obourn, seconded, all approved.

**Action: Lydia will work with CFO to have this grant application live on the website starting on 07/01/2022 and closing on 07/29/2022.**

BOARD MEMBERSHIP

Reynolds County and Wayne County representative positions are still vacant. Potential candidates to fill these positions on the board were discussed. Crystal has a potential recommendation for Reynolds County. Marie will contact Jan for a recommendation on Wayne County. Ted Thompson's existing term will expire in May 2022, he is eligible to renew for another term. Ted told the board he would like to renew for another 3-year term as the Ripley County representative member.

**Action: Crystal and Marie will report their finds to the Board on candidates to fill the Reynolds and Wayne County representatives. The board will vote regarding Ted's board membership as Ripley County representative.**

CFO UPDATE

Affiliate Appreciation Conference will be held on April 25, 2022, in Springfield, MO. Registration is open now. This will be an in-person conference. Judy appreciates everyone updating their contact information with CFO and hopes everyone is now able to receive updates and other important correspondence from CFO. Judy mentions that Crystal and Lydia have met with several potential fund holders to establish new funds under OFRCF. Crystal mentions that last week there was a meeting with the city of Poplar Bluff's department leadership to discuss options available for them to establish funds. Since this meeting Crystal has receive interest from the animal shelter, Margaret Harwell Art Museum, and the City of Poplar Bluff City Museum for further information. Crystal also mentions a few weeks ago she held a meeting with Mary Haldeman of Foster Adopt Connect to discuss the opportunity to establish funds; she has not heard any additional information but will continue to propose this potential partnership.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Ripley Chamber Fund and Naylor Fund CPA recommendations and follow-ups were discussed.

Next meeting is scheduled for April 12, 2022, at 4:00 pm.

Dr. Jones made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Susan Skaggs seconded. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 4:32 pm.

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Russell French, Chairman

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Date Approved

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Dr. Scott Dill, Secretary

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Date Approved