

Macon County 4-H and Extension Foundation
March 22, 2021

Macon County 4-H and Extension Foundation Meeting was held March 22, 2021.

Attendance included: Brady Streckfuss, Mark Sturgell, Pete Skeffington, Luke Williams, Jeremy Crouch, and Melody Arnold. Mindy Mosely and Tyler Beals attended via phone. Extension Staff: Doug Harlan, Peggy Fear, and Trinity Johnson (via phone).

At 5:30PM CST, Mark Sturgell welcomed board members in attendance and called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes of the November 2020 meeting and January 2021 meeting were reviewed. Jeremy Crouch made a motion to approve the November minutes, seconded by Luke Williams. The motion passed. Luke Williams made a motion to approve the January minutes, seconded by Melody Arnold. The motion passed.

Financial Report:

Hickory Point Checking Account hard copy information was distributed; itemized expenses and deposits. A current investment fund statement was currently unavailable. Financial report as follows:

Checking Account Balance		\$15,894
Soy Capital Bank Funds		
Money Market Account	\$11	
Warren Meyer Scholarship Fund	\$15,239	
Naomi Cody Scholarship Fund	\$8,040	
Hawbaker Leadership Fund	\$25,935	
College Scholarship Fund	\$18,626	
Land of Lincoln Scholarship Fund	\$3,089	
Undesignated General Funds	\$387,409	
Hartwig Scholarship Fund	\$111,892	
Carolyn Mason Memorial Fund	\$3,790	

Total Foundation Funds		\$574,030
Total Balance		\$589,924

A motion was made by Luke Williams and seconded by Jeremy Crouch to accept the report. The motion carried.

Scholarship Committee Report:

Toni Brown was unavailable to make the scholarship committee report. Some discussion was had regarding the ability to present scholarships to high school students with attendance being limited at graduations.

Fundraising Committee Report:

A letter will be sent out for the annual fundraising campaign. The last letter was sent out in April 2020. The campaign is typically good for around \$15,000 of funds per year. Discussion was had about possibilities of expanding the campaign in the future and how to do so.

Board Development Committee:

The committee is working on developing an onboarding process to bring new board members up to speed quickly. They are also working on building a book of future board members. A questionnaire will be sent out to current board members on what ways the board can improve.

Awards Committee:

No updates to report.

Other Business:

The Macon Extension Budget Agreement was discussed. In the past, the foundation has provided the extension with a \$7,500 annual payment to supplement their budget. Luke Williams made a motion to make the 2020-2021 payment and approve of the same for 2021-2022, seconded by Melody Arnold. The payment was approved.

The 2021 Farm Progress show is on. Volunteers are ready to help but it is yet to be seen how many attendance and food restrictions might be in place.

The next meeting will be held May 24, 2021 at 5:30 PM. The current plan is to have the meeting in-person, with social distancing being observed.

Luke Williams made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Pete Skeffington. Motion carried.

Brady Streckfuss, Secretary