

**Grand Prairie ISD Education Foundation
Annual Meeting & Retreat
Agenda
July 20, 2015
GP Police Community Room
8:30am-3:30pm**

- Call to Order Bernie Ponzio
- Introduction and Installation of New Officers/
Board Members Bernie Ponzio/Mayor Ron Jensen
- Wells Fargo Update Clayton Fisher
- Review Mission/History of Success/Set Norms Bernie Ponzio
- Board Member Roles/Responsibilities/Forms Angela Geissner
- Approve
 - Audit Review Denise Clifton
 - Financials Denise Clifton
 - Grant Award Amounts Katrina Jones
- Discussion Items
 - Bylaws/Policies & Procedures Revisions Update Katrina Jones
 - Name Badge Option Bernie Ponzio
 - Establishing a Grant Writing Committee for
Additional Funding Sources Bernie Ponzio
- Review
 - Budget Denise Clifton
 - 990 Steve Lacy (Statement read by Denise)
 - Plan of Work Proposal for 2015-2016 Bernie Ponzio
 - *Afternoon Committees to add to plan of work

Lunch 11:30-12:30

12:30-2:30 Committee Work/Planning for 2015-2016

2:30-3:30 Committee reporting out/Voting

Dates to Remember:

July 28	7:30AM @ Outlaws	Principal's Meeting
August 10	8:30AM @ SGP Theater	New Teacher Academy
August 18	9:00AM @ UTA College Park Center	Convocation/Grant Announcements
August 21	10AM-3PM @ Ruthe Jackson	Vendor Fair

12:30-2:30

Marketing Committee:

- Look over ideas from other districts
- Alumni fund raising ideas
- What to offer for GPISD Ed Foundation sponsorships (Annual Fund Drive—update forms)
- North Texas Giving Day—marketing to get the word out (it's in September)
- Target companies...goal setting for companies and organizations to meet with
- What will be MY role/responsibilities?
- Recommendations for full board for Plan of Work 2015-2016

Finance Committee:

- Pass-Through Process
- Major Saver
- Emergency/Contingency Fund via Alumni and targeted donation drives
- What will be MY role/responsibilities?
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Fundraising Committee

- Lone Star Park/date
- Golf Tournament/date
- Major Saver/dates
- Annual Fund Drive/dates
- Visibility of board
- Timeline for activities
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Call to Order

Bernie Ponzio

Introduction and Installation of New Officers

President, Bernie Ponzio, Vice President Katrina Jones

Treasurer, Nancy Wooten and Secretary, Angela Giessner

Swearing in of New Board Members

Bernie Ponzio

**Karla Chandler, Retired GPISD, Alisha Crumley, Principal Bonham EES,
Debi Knoblock, Texas Trust, Malcolm Chakery, Stephanie Wooldridge and
Lynn Nutt.**

Mayor Ron Jensen theme for installation of new board members

Volunteers Support Means Everything.

**A group photo was then taken for Mayor Jensen's Facebook page which
Mayor Jensen the opportunity to share information about the difference
the Education Foundation is making in Education at GPISD.**

**Investment Report was made by Clayton Fischer, Wells Fargo Advisor.
We discussed the investment policy, 60% equity and 40% fixed income,
the current investment climate. Dollar cost averaging will help us
reach our goals and is something that will slowly phase into
depending on the investment climate. Clayton Fisher will be meeting
with the Investment Committee quarterly and our board annually.
Copy of Report circulated to the board will be filed for audit.
Beginning balance transfer was \$547,000.**

Board Member Roles/Responsibilities/Form

Angela Giessner

**Angela Giessner read the Roles, Responsibilities and Forms that need to
be signed by all board members, Conflict of Interest Form and Employee
Protection (Whistle Blower) Policy. Board was also given a check list
For Responsibilities of Board Behavior. Loraine Morazzano, District
Liasion worked with board to develop 10 points for social behavior.**

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Review Mission/History of Success/Set Norms

Bernie Ponzio

The board of the Grand Prairie ISD Education Foundation is composed of leaders of the greater Grand Prairie Community.

The Mission of the Grand Prairie ISD Education Foundation is to promote educational excellence and to inspire community ownership, commitment, Confidence and pride in the Grand Prairie ISD.

History of Success/Celebrating 45 years in GPISD

Education Foundations originated in California in the early 1970's as a response to proposition 13. Grand Prairie Independent School District was actually one of the first school districts in Texas to start an education foundation.

Grants awarded 1997-2014: \$480,825.00.

Scholarships for GPISD High School Seniors awarded 2001-2014: \$106,084.00

Student of Character scholarship fund and the Roger and Thelma Phillips Dickey Memorial Scholarship Fund and several pass through scholarships.

Each year over 4,000 GPISD students participate in field trips to Dogwood Canyon and Trinity River Audubon Center.

Approve

Audit Review-tabled until next meeting

Steve Lacy

Financials -

Denise Clifton

Detailed treasurer's report was discussed and filed or audit.

Grant Award Amounts

Katrina Jones

Grants awarded were \$83,285. The Innovative Teaching Grants are making a difference in test scores and a direct impact on math and science.

Discussion Items

Bylaws/Policies and Procedures Revision

Katrina Jones

Establish a Grant Writing Committee

These items were tabled until the next meeting.

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Plan of Work 2015-2016

Updated plan of work for 2015-2016 will be worked on in our committee sessions. At the end of the day, be ready to make recommendations for considerations at the next meeting.

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Committee working on a new plan of work for 2015-2016.

2:30 – 3:30

Committees reporting on their work

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Angela S. Giessner, Secretary