

**Comstock Park Public Schools
Educational Foundation Meeting
Monday, October 11, 2010 @ 6:00PM
Central Office Board Room - Minutes**

Present: Denise Clement, Missi McPherson, Ethan Ebenstein, Nick Groulx, Sharon McLellan, Bob Fidler, Janine Fidler, Jeff Hoag, Kim Reynolds, Debbie Benjamin, Kerry Lamoreax, Kevin McLellan, Sue Arsulowicz (13)

1. **Welcome** – welcomed new members and introductions – New members: Kerry Lamoreax & Sue Arsulowicz.
2. **Financial Update** – Jeff gave the financial report. There is \$11,800 in the checking account, \$4600 in a CD and about 38,000 in the endowment. Approximately \$1,000 was raised from the Duck Race (increase in 55 ducks from 2009). Overall, the foundation is in great position financially.
3. **Jeff & Nancy Hoag Incentive Grant - Payroll Deduction**
 - Not much response from the district.
 - Extending deadline to November 30th.
 - To be presented at staff meetings. Hoping for a larger response due to grants the amount of grants the foundation approves each year. Contributions from staff go directly back to the district in the form of grants and each staff member could benefit from their own contributions to the foundation.
4. **Updates on Fundraisers** –
 - 5K Run – Entry forms are up on the website. November 13th.
 - Christmas Tree Auction/Spaghetti Dinner - November 20th (6 – 9 p.m.)
 - Vitale's is providing the spaghetti and bread sticks. Olive Garden is providing the salad. Janine Fidler volunteered to make her "famous spaghetti sauce".
 - Asking art program to display art and music program to have kids sing (\$50 CPEF Grants for each).
 - Lori organized the purchase of the trees (all different colors) from her connection at Wal-Mart.
 - Per Ethan's suggestion, created 5 different winning categories: 1) Most kid friendly; 2) Most "green"; 3) Most creative; 4) Most traditional; 5) Most liked.
 - Setup volunteers to assist with the event.
5. **25th Anniversary Gala** -
 - The foundation has been in existence since 1986.
 - One-time gala/dinner next year in celebration of 25 years.
 - Reviewing potential venues and details for the event.
6. **Misc. Information**
 - Schoolhouse Article due 11/22 for December 15th publication. Include: thank you to businesses that did a tree & donated and 25th anniversary gaga info.
 - Grant Application Deadline: December 17th, 2010
 - Next Meeting Time/Date – 11/8 @ 6:00 p.m. – Central Office Board Room