

Shining Light Foundation Meeting Minutes

Meeting: 10-16-2024 at 6:pm. LiveOak Wealth Advisors office, Lafayette LA

Attendees:

Carolyn French	Rose H. Cormier
Cheryl Evans	Kerry Douglas
Byron Reyes	Marcie Jacquet
Michael Huber	Tanya Cormier
Bruce Snow	
Cynthia Dauphin	Darrell and Cathy Meche, Guest
Perry Scotola	Millicent Nugent, Guest Speaker

Quest Speaker Millicent Nugent gave a presentation on LOVE OUR SCHOOLS. Love Our Schools is a local NON- PROFIT organization that assists LPSS.

1. Community engagement with 47 public schools currently involved.
2. CAFÉ (Community and Family Engagement) Program currently has 25 of the 47 schools involved.
3. Serve Days – Bringing the community on the campus with various improvement projects. Community volunteers participate in Serve Days with the largest day having over 3000 volunteers.
4. Teacher retention- Studies on my teachers decide to leave and/or stay with LPSS.
5. Student involvement – Helping to make students aware of different paths they may be interested in after completing school.
6. Building relationships with LPSS – Love Our Schools work directly with the Principals of the schools. The Principal must be on board and accept help from Love Our Schools.

Guest speaker Darrell Meche suggested Millicent contact the Knights of Columbus for volunteer projects.

Website: lpssonline.com – for survey of recommendations.

Minutes were reviewed from last meeting. Rose moved to accept the minutes and Cynthia seconded. Minutes passed.

Treasurer’s Report:	Checking -	\$1647.59	Interest - \$	0.31	Donations -	0
	Scholarships -	2047.50	Escrow -	862.50	Credit card -	0
	Expenses -	193.80	Invested –	100,169.52		

Cynthia moved to transfer \$5000. from our investment checking, Tanya second and it passed.

Carolyn gave the Financial Advisor's review.

Three scholarships had been approved by email for school fees at Milton Elementary for \$167.00

1. Kyslyn Chaisson, grade 5 \$75.00
2. Kailyn Chaisson, grade 4, 46.00
3. Kaslyn Chasson, grade 1 46.00

Cynthia reported last month's Love Our School open house was very well done.

Board Members Birthdays – Lana Swanwick and Amy Trahan

No old business to report

Next meeting – Wednesday, Nov 20, 2024

Tanya moved to adjourn the meeting and Kerry seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:pm.