

NEIFN Quarterly Meeting
Thurs. Oct. 22, following PA Workshop/Luncheon



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AGENDA

Roll Call

Allamakee – Betty Steege, Bill Atkins
Clayton – Roger Halverson
Winneshiek – Lorraine Borowski, Brenda Luzum, Jim Anderson
Fayette – Kelly Beacon, Bill Zigler
Chickasaw – Not present
Howard – Not present
CFNEIA – Jamar Thompson, Whitney Boyenga

Feedback from the PA Workshop included:

- Need to plan the event far in advance so PA's can get it on their schedules.
- The shorter sessions worked well with the mix of presenters.
- Need to make sure there aren't any scheduling conflicts with other workshops/educational events. There was the Mid-Iowa Estate planning event that took place the same day.
- The speakers had relevant topics that sparked the interest of the PAs.
- We should have all of the speaker's handouts available for people at the event.
- The timing of the years seemed to work well (October timeframe)
- The location was a centralized place relevant to the six county region and the facilities at NICC worked out very well.
- Possibly look at restructuring the invitations to look differently next year.

Minutes from Summer 2013 Meeting (in separate file):

These were approved with no additions or corrections.

Current Financials (on last page):

Project Reports:

NEI Food Hub Grant – Project update (attached in separate file):

Jamar updated the group with the handout present about what has occurred with the Food Hub in the last quarter.

Philanthropic Advisor Reports

The Philanthropic Advisors updates were given to the group.

New Business:

1. **2014 NEIFN Budget - (based on current contribution in separate file)**

Thoughts were to keep the PA Grant/Howard and Chick. in the budget for next year whether they plan to use it or not.

2. Consider future of Philanthropic Advisor Program

The group decided to move forward with continuing this program for 2014 for Fayette/Winneshiek, Allamakee/Clayton, and expanding it to include Howard/Chickasaw. Jamar discussed how it's hard for a contractor to succeed without the help of the committee members. Since Howard and Chickasaw are not that active, the concern was having a contractor work on their behalf without the help of the committee. The group decided to leave that opportunity up to Howard and Chickasaw in if they would like to utilize the contractor in the next year. Jamar will talk with Howard and Chickasaw reps on how they would like to pursue. The group decided to fund the contractors the same as they have done in the past with the host foundation contributing \$3,000 as a match to the Funders Network \$3,000. The focus areas would be determined by the host foundation but likely will mirror what was done in 2013. The group thought it would make sense to have the contractors paid on a calendar year (Jan. – Dec.). Jamar will talk with M.J. on how that can work with Betty considering her start date is Nov. 1st.

3. ADDENDUM (after the meeting concluded) – Jamar reported that \$943.01 remains in the NEI Funders Network Workshop Fund.

Next Meeting – Phone Conference – Jan. 16 at 9 am
2014 Dues Notices go out following the Jan. meeting



**Northeast Iowa Funders Network CURRENT Financial Report
July 5, 2013 – Oct. 17, 2013**

Previous Balance		<u>\$24,517.05</u>
Income		
Chickasaw County Community Fda Membership		2361.72
Expenses		
Summer Meeting (\$300 stipends/\$105 food service)		405.00
Food Hub Grant		6200.00
Current Balance		<u>\$20,273.77</u>

*NOTE of explanation – Summer stipends were processed Oct. 15.
CFGD gift/grant administrator Mandy Leubka was out on family medical leave