



**THE OHIO EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH FOUNDATION BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
14 August 2019**

Meeting held at: Universal Technology Corporation, 1270 North Fairfield Road, Beavercreek OH.

Members Present:

Mr. Wendell Banks, President
Mr. Tom Wells, Vice President
Ms. Linda Lange, Secretary/Treasurer
Dr. Vince Russo (via phone)
Mr. Ed Mechenbier
Ms. Shiela Wallace
Mr. Bill Kugel
Ms. Eileen Austria
Mr. Dann Andrews, WPAFB Liaison

Absent: Mr Lyle Lockwood

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Wendell Banks welcomed members and introduced the newest Board member, Mr Bill Kugel. Bill gave a short summary of his civil service career in the financial arena and indicated he currently works as an Adjunct Professor, University of Dayton School of Law and also is employed by Integrated Data Services. Welcome Bill!

WPAFB EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH OFFICE:

Mr Dann Andrews, WPAFB Educational Outreach Office, gave an update on his office's activities over the past year. A copy of the briefing was provided to all members. Dann discussed the number of students and schools that have been supported through the WPAFB Educational Outreach Office – over 48K students impacted. Dann also discussed recent events

which included former SECAF Heather Wilson, General McMurry, Major General Cooley, and Governor DeWine witnessing students first hand interacting with WPAFB Educational Outreach programs. Dann talked about the Wizards of Wright Program indicating this program has been revitalized with the addition of many new videos. These have been added to their office website and is available to the schools as well as DIY demonstrations. All can be found at <http://wpafbstem.com/pages/k12programs.html>. Eileen Austria asked how teachers learn about the availability of this program to them – it is through the website, word of mouth, as well as a brochure that the Outreach Office is currently developing to be distributed to schools as well as for students to take home.

Shiela Wallace mentioned that she is an adjunct professor at Wright State and works with students in the Xenia school district. She asked Dann about Xenia schools involvement and asked if Dann could send her information and she would be glad to distribute to bring more awareness of programs offered by the WPAFB office.

Dann Andrews talked about the LEGACY intern program and the impact some of the Educational Outreach Program activities have had on these students. Eileen Austria and Wendell Banks talked about telling the story – the significance of giving specific examples attributable to the involvement in FIRST LEGO League and other WPAFB outreach programs – very important to document this.

Dann informed the group that the FIRST Tech Challenge (FTC) Program will be transitioning from ISpace (non profit) in Cincinnati to his office in a support role. In 2021, the WPAFB Educational Outreach Office will become an affiliate partner. In order to take on this responsibility, the FIRST Robotics program support is being reduced. While much of the FTC tournaments will be supported financially in 2021, there may be some cases where requests may channel to the OEOF for consideration of funding.

TREASURY REPORT:

Linda Lange, Treasurer, provided report indicating that the treasury had been maintaining a \$130K balance for the past several months. A comparison of Year to Date actuals to the proposed 2019 were reviewed. It is believed that everything is on track. Activity will begin to peak in October in preparation for the FIRST Lego League state tournament in February. Also, AFCEA gave a generous donation of \$3,000 to the OEOF which was used to buy robotic kits for a rookie camp. Linda shared thank you notes for this purchase as well as another to the OEOF for the sponsorship of their team's registration fees for the national advancement tournament.

Tom Wells indicated that we would need to develop the budget in late 2019 to be prepared for the new year.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dr Russo asked if there was a need for lodging for students during the FLL state tournaments. He indicated he was working on a project along with Joe Sciabica on buying a building for Air Camp that could also be used with dormitory style lodging that might work for tournament participants. Dann indicated he felt most students stayed with parents in hotels so there would probably not be a need for this type housing.

There was no other new business.

Meeting lasted approximately 45 minutes.

ACTION ITEMS:

Actions for Board Members:

1. Dann to provide Shiela with information on Xenia school's involvement in WPAFB Educational Outreach Programs.
2. Linda and Tom will meet to prepare 2019 budget in early December for 2020.
3. Linda will contact members later in fall for availability for a January 2020 meeting.

Approved.

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