

**NCMC Foundation holds quarterly meeting**

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Read more for minutes on numerous topics for the members of the North Central Missouri College Foundation's Board of Directors.

A tour of Geyer Hall started at 5:00 and was given by Randy Young, Director of Facilities. Randy Young and Dr. Neil Nuttall explained that while the building was structurally sound, many improvements were needed to the exterior and interior of the building. Other improvements noted were electrical that would adequately support new technology and plumbing that is in poor condition.

President Phil Hamilton called the quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors of North Central Missouri College Foundation, Inc., to order at 6:00 p.m. November 15, 2012, in the Cross Hall dining area. Foundation Directors attending the meeting were: Cathy Bailey, Bill Bear, Gary Black, Harry Bratton, Steve Busch, Gloria Carpenter, Nan Carter, Bruce Constant, Jeff Crowley, Phyllis Dible, Phil Hamilton, Chris Hoffman, Glenda Homedale, Ed McCarty, Michael Poland, and Allan Seidel. NCMC staff attending the meeting were: Dr. Neil Nuttall, College President; Teresa Cross, Director of Development; Leah Brinser, Development Assistant; and Gina Graham, Marketing Coordinator. Cara Farmer, treasurer was also present.

A motion was made by Michael Poland to approve the Minutes of the August 16, 2012, quarterly meeting Steve Busch. seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Cara Farmer gave the treasurers' report. A motion was made by Gary Black to approve the Treasurers report Cathy Bailey seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Bruce Constant presented the financial report. A motion was made by Jeff Crowley to approve the financial report Allan Seidel seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Teresa Cross reported that the Barton Campus brick sign was completed, light poles and sidewalks are complete. A celebration is to be planned in the spring so that donors can view their bricks.

Teresa Cross also reported that an Educational Seminar for Estate planning will be held Dec. 11, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. Bruce Constant and Allan Seidel have graciously volunteered their time for this event that will be open to the public. Topics to be addressed will be; Wills and probate, POD, TOD, BD, Ways to avoid probate, trusts, tax and accounting issues. There will also be a question and answer session.

Phyllis Dible reported on the Gala. Although attendance numbers were down several positive comments were made about the evening.

Gary Black, a member of the scholarship committee, yielded to Teresa Cross's comments that would be made in new business.

Steve Busch reported on Holiday Hoops. NCMC will have 10 days, 91 teams, 49 schools, and 66 games. Steve Maxey is approaching his goal of raising \$20,000 for the event. So far \$18,850 has been raised in cash donations and \$4,000 in products and food donations. T-shirts will soon be for sale at \$10.00 per shirt. We will have a 124 page program. As in the past the bracket is being finalized and volunteers are being recruited. It was noted that 250 volunteers are need for the event.

Teresa Cross gave an update from the Foundation Golf Tournament. Over fifty-six hundred dollars

was raised by the tournament to put in the scholarship fund. The Golf Committee discussed improvements to be made for next year's event scheduled for August 30, 2013. Riverside Country Club has been reserved for the next tournament with hopes of expanding to other golf courses over the years. The tournament was moved to the Friday before Alumni weekend with the hopes of getting more teams to come up for a three day weekend.

Teresa Cross announced that in the next campaign scholarships will be targeted. A steering committee is being formed. Goals of the committee will be to name the campaign, start advertising, start pursuing dollars, and research the benefits for students as well as donors. Testimonials from past scholarship recipients will be utilized in a pay it forward type of campaign. Teresa expressed the excitement that has been expressed by staff and faculty at NCMC in the recent in-service.

Teresa closed her comments by noting a PowerPoint presentation was set up for viewing the Gala, Barton Bricks, and the new truck and trailer decals. New and updated letterhead was also on display for viewing. She also asked the Foundation Board to please stay for a moment after the meeting for a new group picture.

Dr. Neil Nuttall discussed that in the past our scholarships had not been utilized to the fullest, but now, a committee has been formed and is working with Bruce Constant to see how to better market and use these scholarship funds. It was noted that 85% of our students are Pell Grant recipients and that preparations need to be made in the scholarship area to help offset should Pell grants be decreased in the future.

It was explained that NCMC offers AA transfer degree and AAS degree. The AAS degree prepares students to go directly into the work field. Two grants are being established, the MO Health Wins Grant and the MO Manufacturing Grant. Both will help community colleges get the "mid skilled workers" out into the workforce. The current industry is in need of increased skilled workers and community colleges such as NCMC are working on getting "Work Keys" for students. These "Work Keys" test skill levels in math, language, communication arts, and soft skills so that an employer can look at a student and tell them what skill level they are looking for in an employee. North Central Missouri College is the regional contact that has been assigned to help area counties implement this "Work Keys" program.

This program is also considering credit for military and or work experience with the focus on getting qualified people into the workforce quickly.

Dr. Nuttall thanked the Foundation Board for their continued support of North Central Missouri College and the students. He expressed his excitement for the upcoming Scholarship Campaign and the Geyer renovation campaign after that.

Phil Hamilton commented that he had been a scholarship recipient in 1976 from a scholarship given to him by the Church Women United and presented by Vera Cross. He used this as an example of how he was helped by the people in this community and how the Foundation can follow this example and help future students.

A motion was made by Gary Black to adjourn the meeting. Bill Bear seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.