

Polk-Burnett Charities, Inc./Operation Round-Up® Board of Directors Meeting Minutes, October 3, 2018

*A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Polk-Burnett Charities, Inc.
was held at Polk-Burnett Electric Cooperative, 1001 State Road 35, Centuria, Wisconsin,
on Wednesday, October 3, 2018, 1:30 p.m. pursuant to notice duly given.*

Present: Merle Bergren, JoAnn Kipping, Gary Ganje, Clarice Johnson, Ed Peterson, Alma Karels, Herschel Brown, Kris McCormack and Joan O'Fallon (facilitator).

Absent: Elvira Schmidt.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Gary Ganje, president, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved with a motion made by JoAnn Kipping and seconded by Ed Peterson.

BOARD RENEWALS

Term renewals were approved by the Polk-Burnett Electric Cooperative board at its June 25 regular board meeting for Kris McCormack district 2; Elvira Schmidt, district 6; and Ed Peterson, district 8.

BOARD OFFICER ELECTIONS

A motion was made by Ed Peterson to nominate Gary Ganje for president. Kris McCormack moved to close the nomination and Alma Karels seconded. Nomination approved.

A motion was made by Kris McCormack to nominate Ed Peterson for vice president. Alma Karels moved to close the nomination and Merle Bergren seconded. Nomination approved.

A motion was made by JoAnn Kipping to nominate Alma Karels for secretary-treasurer. Kris McCormack moved to close the nomination. Nomination approved.

Officers are Gary Ganje, president; Ed Peterson, vice president and Alma Karels, secretary-treasurer.

APPROVAL OF LAST QUARTER'S MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Kris McCormack and seconded by Alma Karels to approve the June 27, 2018, meeting minutes. Motion carried. Joan O'Fallon will post minutes on the website.

APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Clarice Johnson and seconded by JoAnn Kipping to approve the treasurer's report. The year-to-date total funds through September 2018 was \$65,489.13. Year-to-date disbursements totaled \$43,769, plus \$528.65 for mileage reimbursement. The ending balance is \$21,191.48.

MEETING FACILILATOR'S REPORT

Joan O'Fallon distributed thank-you notes and publications from grant recipients. She also distributed the 2019 board meeting calendar and notified the board that online grant applications will be accepted on the co-op's new website.

READING OF THE MISSION STATEMENT

Ed Peterson read the mission statement to guide the board's consideration of grant requests.

MOTION TO APPROVE/DENY GRANT FUNDING

A motion was made by Alma Karels and seconded by Kris McCormack to approve \$13,356 in grant funding for 12 organizations below.

- 1. Endeavors Greenhouse, \$1,000**
to purchase metal benches for greenhouse
- 2. WPCA Radio, \$1,000**
to purchase new computer, and replace entrance door and ramp
- 3. Home and Away Ministries, Ruby's Retreat, \$1,000**
to help pay for new furnace
- 4. City of St. Croix Falls, \$1,000**
to help rehab and expand historic Civic Auditorium
- 5. Friends of Larsen Family Public Library, \$1,000**
to purchase books and supplies for early childhood literacy program
- 6. Polk County Information Center, \$556**
to host third-annual mini tourism conference
- 7. Interfaith Caregivers of Polk County, \$1,500**
to recruit, screen and train volunteers to help seniors and people with disabilities
- 8. Luck Community Education, \$300**
to support Prairie Fire Theatre for students in grades 1-12
- 9. Family Pathways of St. Croix Falls and Frederic, \$3,000 (\$1,500 each)**
to purchase food and fresh produce for two local food shelves
- 10. Golden Age Manor, \$1,000**
to purchase an automated external defibrillator (AED)
- 11. Luck Fire Department, \$1,000**
to help replace 1978 Ford brush truck
- 12. Burnett County Emergency Management, \$1,000**
to print 211 information cards for Burnett County residents

MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT

A motion was made by Clarice Johnson and seconded by JoAnn Kipping to approve mileage reimbursement for board members who submitted expense forms. Checks will be mailed by Polk-Burnett's finance department.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by JoAnn Kipping and seconded by Clarice Johnson to adjourn the meeting at 2 p.m.

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, January 2, 2019, 1:30 p.m., Centuria