

Polk-Burnett Charities, Inc./Operation Round-Up® Board of Directors Meeting Minutes, January 3, 2024

*A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Polk-Burnett Charities, Inc.
was held Wednesday, January 3, 2024, 1:30 p.m.,
at Polk-Burnett Electric Cooperative, 1001 State Road 35, Centuria, Wisconsin.*

Present: Gretchen Sampson, Elvira Schmidt, Ed Peterson, Gary Ganje, Marlyn Bottolfson, JoAnn Kipping, Julie Minell, Kelly Bertuleit and Joan O’Fallon (facilitator).

Absent: Herschel Brown.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Gretchen Sampson, president, called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m., followed by introductions.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by JoAnn Kipping and seconded Marlyn Bottolfson to approve the agenda. Motion approved.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Ed Peterson and seconded by Elvira Schmidt to approve the October 2023 meeting minutes. Motion approved. Joan O’Fallon will post minutes on the website.

APPROVAL OF TREASURER’S REPORT

A motion made by Gary Ganje and seconded by Kelly Bertuleit to approve the treasurer’s report. Funds through December 2023 totaled \$106,876.07. Disbursements totaled \$83,539, plus \$977.92 for board mileage reimbursement. The ending balance was \$22,359.15. Motion approved.

MEETING FACILITATOR’S REPORT

Joan O’Fallon shared the 2024 meeting schedule, thank-you notes from grant recipients and newspaper clips of check presentations from the past quarter.

READING OF THE MISSION STATEMENT

Gretchen Sampson read the mission statement to guide the board’s consideration of grant requests.

MOTION TO APPROVE GRANT FUNDING

A motion was made by Gary Ganje and seconded by JoAnn Kipping to approve \$15,200 in grant funding for 13 nonprofit organizations below.

- 1. Amery School Ag Dept, \$1,500, install electricity in animal outbuilding**
- 2. Clear Lake Area Community Center \$1,000, fire suppression system for kitchen**
- 3. Clear Lake School District Library, \$1,000, library furniture**
- 4. Endeavors Adult Development Ctr, \$1,500, support independence for adults living with disabilities**
- 5. Clear Lake Public Library \$1,000, summer reading program**
- 6. Friends of Wisconsin Interstate Park, \$1,200, signs that recognize legacy of CCC at park**
- 7. Burnett Youth Hockey Association, \$1,000, help replace chiller system at Siren ice rink**
- 8. St. Croix Falls Historical Society, \$1,000, Silverbrook Falls and 125th Anniversary signs at Interstate Park**
- 9. Interfaith Caregivers of Polk County, \$1,500, transportation and assistance for seniors and adults with disabilities**
- 10. Webster Senior Citizens, \$1,000, repair pool table**

- 11. Luck School Garden, \$1,000, rebuilding raised beds**
- 12. Clear Lake Track & Field, \$1,000, exercise bikes**
- 13. Options on 8, \$1,500, prenatal and parenting education**

MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT

Gretchen Sampson moved to approve mileage reimbursement to board members who submitted expense forms. Ed Peterson seconded. Motion approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Gary Ganje moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:09 p.m. Elvira Schmidt seconded. Motion approved.

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, April 3, 2024, 1:30 p.m., Centuria