

# **Polk-Burnett Charities, Inc./Operation Round-Up® Board of Directors Meeting Minutes, January 2, 2019**

*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, January 2, 2019, 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 Alma Karels and seconded by Herschel Brown.

## APPROVAL OF LAST QUARTER'S MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Kris McCormack and seconded by Alma Karels to approve the October 3, 2018, meeting minutes. Motion carried. Joan O'Fallon will post minutes on the website.

## APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Ed Peterson and seconded by Clarice Johnson to approve the treasurer's report. The year-to-date total funds through December 2018 was \$82,108.77. Year-to-date disbursements totaled \$57,165, plus \$746.65 for mileage reimbursement. The ending balance is \$24,197.12.

## MEETING FACILILATOR'S REPORT

Joan O'Fallon distributed thank-you notes and publications from grant recipients. She also reminded the board that online grant applications are being accepted through the co-op's new website.

## READING OF THE MISSION STATEMENT

Kris McCormack read the mission statement to guide the board's consideration of grant requests.

## MOTION TO APPROVE/DENY GRANT FUNDING

A motion was made by Herschel Brown and seconded by Clarice Johnson to approve \$10,994 in grant funding for 14 organizations below.

### **1. Village of Siren, \$1,000**

*to help replace fishing pier at Crooked Lake Park*

### **2. Burnett County Special Olympics, \$500**

*to purchase uniforms, equipment, transportation and entrance fees for local athletes*

### **3. Workforce Resources, Inc., \$1,000**

*to provide food service/culinary arts education in Burnett County*

### **4. Webster School District, \$1,000**

*to support food backpack program for kids*

### **5. Northwoods Flyers EEA Chapter 1537, \$500**

*to purchase fuel for vintage military planes at 2019 Gandy Dancer Air Show*

### **6. Gift of Warm Clothing, \$1,500**

*to buy coats, boots, snow pants, hats, mittens and scarves for distribution to school kids*

**7. Healthy Burnett, \$279**

*to help with website expenses*

**8. St. Croix Falls High School Alternative Education, \$765**

*to purchase and install two desk bicycles for students*

**9. The Salvation Army, Polk County Serenity Homes, \$1,000**

*to support food backpack program for kids*

**10. The Salvation Army, Burnett County Faith House, \$1,000**

*to support food backpack program for kids*

**11. Clear Lake Public Library, \$1,000**

*to replace outdated computers*

**12. Natural Alternative Food Co-op, Education & Marketing Committee, \$600**

*to purchase Food for Change movie for community presentations*

**13. Burnett County Tourism Coalition, \$600**

*to promote county tourism in Minnesota & Midwest Tour Guide*

**14. Cub Scout Pack 564, \$250**

*to help with expenses for 15<sup>th</sup>-Annual Youth Ice Fishing Day, Crooked Lake, Siren*

A grant application from the following organization was denied:

**Little Wood Lake Association, \$1,000**, *to conduct aquatic plant management study and monitor lake water quality*

MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT

A motion was made by Alma Karels and seconded by Clarice Johnson 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 Ed Peterson and seconded by JoAnn Kipping to adjourn the meeting at 2:15 p.m.

**Next Board Meeting:** Wednesday, April 3, 2019, 1:30 p.m., Centuria