



## Inspire School of Arts and Sciences Foundation Meeting Minutes - July 7th

1. Welcomes/Introductions
  - No new members
2. Director's Report
  - a. Campaign Update
    - Switch Gears a bit:
      - Ask people to donate a little but have it as monthly donations. 400+ people are needed for this.
      - Big Donors - continue asking larger donors to donate larger Amounts.
      - New Membership Program to Foundation (for people who donate \$25 a month - prizes can be VIP ticket to Musical )
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    - c. Combining the ISP with Inspire Foundation
      - It was decided that having the Inspire Support Team under the "umbrella" of the Inspire Foundation made more fundraising sense. It's easier to make Monetary requests when the goal is not just fundraising for a new school site - part of funds will go towards Inspire Support Team's established programs such as Angel Fund, Teacher Appreciation etc.
      - Dan checked By-Laws to see if we can have Inspire Support Team under umbrella foundation. He checked during meeting and said the by-laws were vague enough to be able to incorporate goals of the Support Team into the Inspire Foundation's Bylaws.
      - Celeste showed us a new website - Incorporating the Inspire Support Team into the Inspire Foundation - two groups into one.
      - Foundation Engagement - New Team Structure - a combination of a Foundation person, someone from school, parent or community rep is in a working group together.  
The various working groups include: School/Foundation Liaisons, Networking Referrals & Intern Recruitment, Grant Writing, Foundation & School Events, Angel Network, Teacher Appreciation & Staff Retreats

c. Media exposure

- Growing Up Chico - Inspire Foundation was in the Center Spread

d. \$200,000 in 200 Days Campaign - still doing this but maybe in back burner

- Progress - Made about \$15,000 so far.
- I. Need big donors
- II. Matching Donations?
- III. Business Donations
  - Can now donate on Benevity - Corporate Donorship
- IV. Need Campaign Gifts

f. Major Donors

3. Budget

- Updated Budget passed out.

4. Board Member Roles & Responsibilities

Discussed whether Monetary Requirement is needed from each BOD member. Most agreed it wouldn't work since not all future Board members can afford to pay yearly fee but they may have expertise needed by the Foundation.

However, Dan will work on a Job Description for Foundation BOD Members to include language strongly encouraging/expecting them to donate at least \$25/ month or else find at least 10 donors to donate throughout the year. He will also put in the hours required per month.

5. Other:

MOU - Timeline - bring to Inspire BOD in August to discuss, and decision in September whether to continue funding the Development Director position.

IRS Tax Exempt Determination - 509c - Got the letter. We are officially exempt from taxes.

Inspire New Parents - Celeste, Becky will be calling new parents to get them to come join the newly structure Inspire Foundation.

Testimonials from Alumni - NEED

Gap Funding Document - Celeste will create a Gap Funding Document to highlight for families and the community a clear number of annual bridge funding per student to

provide Inspire's level of programs, instruction, advisory and overall increased student engagement within the school community.

BOD members will send Celeste quotes, and estimates of how much it really costs to do all the extra-curriculars parents have to pay out of pocket if their student wasn't going to Inspire.

Ideas discussed re: Increased Fundraising help from parents include:

Davis High School - parents are supposed to fundraise. However Charters and Public Schools cannot require that parents fundraise certain amount of hours.

6. Agenda item for August?

7. Adjourn

8. Next Meeting Inspire Foundation - **Tuesday, August 4th 6:00 pm**

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