

Southfield Community Foundation
Minutes for Meeting of March 23, 2007

Providence Medical Building
22250 Providence Drive, Southfield, MI
7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

Attending: M. Adams, M. Balloch, M. Benghiat, C. Chambers, I. Clark, N. Cook, W. Cook-Robinson, S. Dibble, T. Ewing, W. Peal, E. Powers, C. Thames, M. Williams, [W. Goodell]

Guest: Dave Ewick, City Librarian, Southfield Public Library

Not Attending: Walt Adams, T. Allen, L. Beller, J. Comer, S. Griffin, D. Gross, K. Miller, J. Ralph, R. Saunders, W. Steffan, M. Waring, L. Wright.

- I. **Welcome, Introductions and notes of interest.**
- II. **State of the Schools.** Dr. Wanda Cook-Robinson shared her perspective on major issues currently before the District. These included: enrollment, MacArthur, Finances union negotiations.
- III. **David L. Ewick, City Librarian.** Mr. Ewick was introduced and shared his initial perspective on Southfield's Library and his hope to work more closely with all segments of the community to maximize the library's impact on our community.
- IV. **Treasurer's Report.** T. Ewing reported that the Audit was under way and reviewed investment reports.
- V. **Action Items.**
 - a. **A motion to approve the Minutes for the meeting of January 26, 2006 was made by E. Powers, seconded by N. Cook and approved without dissent.**
 - b. **W. Peal presented a grant request from the Southfield Lathrup Optimist Club for \$3,000 from the Millennium Fund to help with start-up costs for a Junior Optimist Club in Southfield. The motion was moved by E. Powers and seconded by M. Balloch. Following discussion and concurrence from the original supporters, the motion was amended to indicate that the \$3,000 would be considered a loan that could be earned back, dollar for dollar, by fund raising by the JOOI Club over a two-year period. The motion carried without dissent. C. Thames, M. Balloch, N. Cook and W. Cook-Robinson abstained due to their membership in the Optimist Club. C. Chambers asked whether or not the grant could be considered a YAC grant and the Board approved that change pending an official YAC request.**
- VI. **Updates.** Brief updates were given on the success of the Women's Fund Tea, the progress of the Youth Center, an overview of the Diversity Symposium, an outline of the Detroit Shock fundraising project, the Education Committee's Southfield Guarantee Program, Arts & Cultural Committee opportunities and a YAC project review.
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- VIII. **Executive Director's Report.** W. Goodell reported on a number of issues raised at the CMF CF CEO conference, including Transfer of Wealth, Standards, and College Access Networks. He also indicated that a small correction needed to be made to the Tony Spina Fund Balance to reflect interest that should have been credited to the Fund. Finally Goodell presented a restatement of the Foundation's Goals and Objectives for Board consideration.

Respectfully submitted on Friday, March 23, 2007 by

Warren E. Goodell
Executive Director