

**Southington Education Foundation
Board at Large Meeting
December 15, 2009
Minutes**

Members in Attendance:

Dr. Erardi, Ron Marut, Dawn Miceli, Dave Monti, Beth Pestillo, Tony Sheffy, George Costanzo, Bill Lutz, Alan DeBisschop, Joannie Conlon, Kimberly DiFusco, Mary DeCroce, Michelle Graveline, Jan Galati, Carolyn Makles

Anthony Alan Sheffy opened the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Kim DiFusco made a motion to accept the 9/22/09 minutes

Dave Monti seconded the motion

Treasures Report

- We currently have a balance of \$18,474.32 in our account
- Out of that balance, \$14,042.58 was profit from the Fan of the Foundation event.

Committees

Fundraising

- Members present discussed the Fan of the Foundation evening and made suggestions as to how to improve for next year. The committee will further review and discuss next year's event
- The Outback fundraiser will be held on January 23rd. There will be an 11:30am and 12:30pm seating. The meal includes steak/chicken, vegetable, dessert and beverage. Tickets will be sold for \$25 per person with all proceeds going SEF. Each board member is expected to sell 6 tickets to the event.
- Jan Galati and Sherri Russman have been working on contacting Southington Alumni for monetary support
- George has headed up our community mail campaign
- Brian Goralski and Beth Pestillo are working on organizing a 5K run. They will present their plan of action once more details are obtained

Grants

- George will pursue larger foundations to fund grants

Publicity

- A four page newsletter is to appear in the observer before the holidays. The newsletter will reach about 15,000 families. Dawn will be working to get a SEF newsletter out quarterly.

New Business

- Mary DeCroce has been working on opening an Arts Center in town. She is hopeful for a March opening. The Arts Center will be a venue for classes and showcase for artwork.

Meeting Schedule

- The board at Large will be notified when the next meeting will be held.

The meeting was adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Pestillo