

NORTON FUND COMMISSION

May 12, 2022

Zoom Meeting, Andover CT

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Charlotte Nelson called meeting to order at 7:09 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT

Charlotte Nelson, Jan Neumuth, Heidi Xenophontos, Louise Goodwin, Alternate.

Not in attendance were Bill Penn, new member Steven Fuss attending BOE, Linda Armstrong, Alternate

MINUTES

Heidi moved to approve minutes of November 17, 2021, second by Charlotte, approved

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Louise was welcomed as Alternate & will be voting due to absence of two permanent members.

CORRESPONDENCE

Jan has sent Thank You Notes to the six donors since November meeting, also a thank you to Richard Walton for Obituary suggestion of donation to Norton Fund in Memory of his wife, Louise, who had served on Commission from 1983-89, and he has also made a generous donation.

FINANCES

Heidi gave balances of accounts. Norton accounts – \$5763 above principal of both accounts (\$10,000 Norton, \$11,000 Mooney)

Discussion followed on offering two scholarships. It was decided to give two this year from the funds above principal of the Norton/Mooney Fund, with Charlotte making motion, Jan seconded, unanimous approval.

OLD BUSINESS

Norton Fund participated in Senior Fundraiser in April. Low donation total due to low attendance.

NEW BUSINESS

Scholarship selection discussion, using new Evaluation Tool developed by Charlotte, to consider this year's 13 applicants. Two Seniors were selected and Jan made motion they each be given \$1000 scholarship, seconded by Heidi, unanimous approval. It was decided to maintain confidentiality in reporting their names until after awards had been received. Names will be an addendum to these minutes at that time. Charlotte to get checks from Treasurer.

Discussion on changes and additions to scholarship application for 2023.

Discussion on Thanksgiving assistance as was done Nov 2021. Charlotte made motion \$25 gift cards be given to 20 families, up to \$500, Heidi seconded, with stipulation Commission would discuss if need exceeded this amount.

Discussion on spreading awareness of Norton scholarship, based on ideas from this year's applicants.

Guess the Norton Number will be held at AES in May. Heidi has dropped off material, Jan will pick up at conclusion May 31, and winners announced soon after, Charlotte to pick up 4 gift cards for winners.

Charlotte suggested Commission set date now for next May meeting, being May 17, 2023.

Norton Fund will again have a presence at the Andover Farmer's Market, Louise volunteered for June.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 9:05 PM by Charlotte, second by Jan

Respectfully submitted, Jan Neumuth, Norton Commission Secretary