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STUDENT ASSISTANCE ★ SCHOLARSHIPS ★ LEARNING GRANTS

APRIL 2013

GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

By: Carletta Garraway, 2012 President

I am honored to have served a second year as the President of NTEF. It is truly amazing to see the impact this organization has had on the families of the North Thurston Public Schools. We are committed to continuing that support by providing funding and resources to our schools, teachers, and graduating seniors. I am proud to be an active part of an organization whose main mission is to remove those barriers that may interfere with our students' abilities to focus on going to school. Support may come in the form of a backpack of food to get through the weekend; a winter coat; a pair of glasses; learning supplies; funds to support classroom learning; or scholarships to help graduates to go college.

As I look back at 2012, I want to express my appreciation for a great group of community volunteers. I am proud to work with you. Each member brought a special skill, talent, and perspective to enhance the work of the Foundation. We were honored to have Ms. Erin Jones, Director of Equity

and Achievement for Federal Way School District, as the guest speaker at the Annual Partners in Kids Luncheon. She is a parent and member of the NTPS community. She is an example of what our students can become with the support of their families, schools, and community. I would like to extend a personal thank you to all those who support the luncheon and made donations to the Foundation throughout the year.

The North Thurston Education Foundation is one of the best kept secrets in our community in my view. In 2013, I am challenging each of you to help us change that by sharing information about the Foundation's work and joining us in supporting students and schools in NTPS. Our families are facing difficult times and the economic challenges are having a great impact on our families. Parents are still out of work. That means families are struggling with providing basic needs, such as warm clothes, food, and school supplies. If this is a challenge, how can they even think about finding the funds to send their child to college?

This is where you come in. The Foundation can do so much with even the smallest of donation. We are asking alumni, community businesses, and members to make donations of any amount. We need your financial support to keep doing the great work of the Foundation.

Congratulations to 2013 Elected Trustees

Welcome and congratulations to new Board of Trustee members, as well as Board members who were re-elected.

At the annual meeting, the following new members were elected:

Dorothy Adamson
Dorn Barr
Nancy Balderas
Heather Hettinger

Board members, who were re-elected for another term on the Board, include:

Steve Capps
Cindy Coble
Angela Grant
Tom MacRobert



DID YOU KNOW THAT:

- *The Foundation has provided more than \$683,829 in support of students in NTPS as of 2012.*
- *The Foundation has helped about 16,465 students with their personal and school needs over the years.*
- *The Foundation awarded a total of \$40,500 in scholarships in 2012.*
- *The Foundation has supported 93 classrooms with learning grants since 1996.*

NORTH THURSTON EDUCATION FOUNDATION IS HERE TO HELP STUDENTS GET AHEAD...

- ★ Partners with the North Thurston Public Schools to Enhance Educational Opportunities
- ★ A Community Commitment to Excellence in Education
- ★ All Volunteer Organization

NORTH THURSTON EDUCATION FOUNDATION

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MEMBERSHIP

Membership for the calendar year 2012, based on identified contributors, totaled more than 351. Organizations are counted as a single member. All donations of \$25 or more qualify contributors for membership and to vote to elect Trustees at the annual membership meeting, according to the by-laws. Donations received through the NTPS district payroll, Washington State Employees Combined Fund Drive, and United Way, as well as through other fundraisers, are listed by name when identified. Categories of contributing members, eligible to vote, are Member \$25-99, Supporting Member \$100-249, Sustaining Member \$250-499, Principal's Club \$500-999, Superintendent's Club \$1,000-4,999. Foundation Benefactor \$5,000 and above. A student category is \$5.

Revenue Generated, Awards Disbursed

The Foundation Trustees measure achievement by both the number of contributors and revenue generated by the Foundation as well as by the program disbursements that benefit students, staff, and activities in North Thurston Public Schools. The 2012 contributions and fund raising for all funds, including annual, endowment, special designated funds, but excluding investment and interest earnings, totaled **\$71,402**. This total includes the following:

\$ 29,244	Fund raising events Partners for Kids, excludes pledges
\$ 2,052	Washington State Employees Combined Fund Drive
\$ 7	United Way contributions
\$ 11,728	North Thurston Public Schools employees payroll deductions
\$ 28,013	Other contributions, e.g. memorials, incidental fund raising (excludes investment earnings).

Foundation programs including scholarship awards, student assistance grants to all District schools, McGimpsey Pantries, learning improvement grants for classroom educators and special designated activities totaled **\$84,631** for the calendar year. Administrative expenditures for insurance, printing, postage, fees, maintenance of data bases and website, supplies and fund raising costs for 2012 were **\$15,859**. In addition, the Foundation received a number of in-kind donations to total more than **\$1,009** that helped reduce administrative costs. The Foundation has no paid officers or staff and did not use professional fundraisers.

GRANTS COMMITTEE

Ana Pedraza, Chair

The Grants Committee oversees Foundation grant projects including the Student Assistance Grants and Learning Improvement Grants. Committee members include **Suzanne Funston, Tom MacRobert, Cynthia Pratt, and Ana Pedraza**.

Student Assistance Grants

Twenty-one District sites, including one for each school and one for the District-at-large, receive annual student assistance grants to provide for emergency needs of students. The amounts of the grants for the 2012-13 school year were as follows: \$1200 for each elementary school, \$1500 for each middle school and South Sound High School and \$2000 for the large high schools and District Office site. The student assistance grant funds, excluding food closets, disbursed during the 2012 calendar year totaled **\$35,384**. Students received help with school fees, clothing, rental for music equipment, school supplies and other personal and educational needs. The allocated funds are given at the beginning of each school year; schools may request additional funds depending on student needs. Special funds are also available in exceptional circumstances to help reduce obstacles that students face in getting their education. Because funds are managed according to school policies, school principals, counselors, secretaries or intervention specialists may be contacted about use of the funds. Student Assistance Grants are funded through the McGimpsey dedicated investment account.

McGimpsey Pantries

Implemented in 2007-2008, as an extension of the Student Assistance Grants, the Foundation established the McGimpsey Pantries in middle and high schools. The Pantries provided food and toiletries for homeless students and others who need this help. Each secondary school receives \$500 in the fall and additional funds as needed. Elementary schools are served through another backpack food program. Information for accessing these items is available in each school. This year, for the third time, the Foundation provided funds to the Lacey Boys and Girls Club for a summer Pantry program. A total of \$5,300 was disbursed to stock the Pantries in 2012.

Learning Improvement Grants

Educators in North Thurston Public Schools are awarded mini-grants for use in schools and classrooms to assist in the improvement of student learning. In 2012 \$2,767 was expended for the grants by mid-school year of the 2012-2013 school year. The Learning Improvement Grants, given annually since 1996, meet one of the Foundation's goals and are designed to encourage innovation and improvement of learning. Grant recipients are asked to report to the Foundation Trustees and membership at the Annual meeting and are required to submit a written report of their action research. The reports reflect project activities, benefits to students in evidence of their learning, and "lessons learned" as educators. A committee reviews the applications and selects the winners. Committee members this year included **Ana Pedraza, Suzanne Funston, Debby Gaffney, Tom MacRobert, and Cynthia Pratt**. The Foundation selected the following projects for funding in 2012-2013:

1. Kevin Rus, North Thurston High School
2. Laurie Jones, Jeff Melchert, Cherie Pallitto, Tim Bittrick, Seven Oaks 3/4 Grade Cluster
3. Julie Wyatt, Pleasant Glade Elementary School
4. Chris Traber, Aspire Middle School
5. Allison Shepard, Meadows Elementary

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Ana Pedraza, Chair

The Scholarship Committee reviewed more than 50 applications for six different scholarship categories: Corwin Memorial Scholarship, Davies Vocational/Technical Scholarship, Hostetter Ford Memorial Scholarship, Gott Educational Scholarship, Pedersen Memorial Scholarship, and the Foundation Scholarships. In 2012, the Scholarship Committee chose 20 scholarship winners from the four high schools and awarded \$40,500. Most winners received \$2000; for the first time the Corwin Scholarship is for \$1000 with the provision for a three-year renewal for a total of \$4,000. Foundation representatives presented the scholarships at school events: **Carletta Garraway** at Timberline High School, **Suzanne Funston** at North Thurston High School, **Liz Squires** at River Ridge High School, There were no applications from South

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(Scholarships, continued...)

Sound High School this year. Committee members include **Suzanne Funston, Ana Pedraza, Tom MacRobert** and **Cynthia Pratt**. Recipients of 2012 scholarships are the following:

FOUNDATION Scholarships, \$2,000 each

Dayton Bracy Keunstler	Timberline High School
Matthew Connor	Timberline High School
Kaitlyn Frasier	North Thurston High School
Megan Beatty	North Thurston High School
Marcus D. Storvick	North Thurston High School
Bryce LaBonte	Timberline High School
Eric Mooers	River Ridge High School
Kayla S. Pingel	North Thurston High School
Shrilakshmi Panjini	Timberline High School
Rick Ahlf	Timberline High School
Joey Renaud	North Thurston High School
Nathan Knox	Timberline High School
Christina Schaller	Timberline High School

VIOLET DAVIES Vocational/Technical Scholarship \$2,000

Cheyenne Ward, Timberline High School

ROY PEDERSEN Memorial Scholarship \$2,000

Jerlin James Dizon, Timberline High School
Alysha Rae Miller, North Thurston High School

JOHN GOTT Education Scholarship \$2,000

Adam Holt Suttmiller, River Ridge High School

JEANNETTE H. FORD Memorial Scholarship, \$2,000

Jennifer Hodgman, North Thurston High School

LISA CORWIN Memorial Scholarship \$1,000

Kate Hruby, Timberline High School
Second year renewal for \$1500

Nikhil Das, received a one time renewal

FUND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Liz Squires, Chair

The tenth annual Partners for Kids Luncheon, held on October 9, 2012, grossed nearly \$36,000 this year, thanks to our generous donors and sponsors. Net receipts were **\$22,516** (excluding pledges). The keynote speaker, **Erin Jones**, spoke passionately about bridging the gaps so no child falls through the cracks. Ms Jones is currently Director of Equity and Achievement for Federal Way School District, and she was the 2007 Washington State Milken Educator of the Year. Vocalist **Malachi Jones** provided the entertainment, accompanied by **Terry Shaw**, Choir Director at Timberline High School. Malachi is a Timberline High School student and is the son of our keynote speaker. Our heartfelt thanks to all of our donors for their generous support. Acknowledgement of sponsors is on the NTEF website, www.ntef.org. Mark your calendars now for next year's event scheduled for October 8, 2013. Committee members were **Liz Squires, Angela Grant, Joseph Moss DDS**, and **Stephen Capps**.

SCHOOL VISITATION COMMITTEE

Cindy Coble, Chair

The School Visitation Committee continued a schedule of school visits this year, involving Board member teams. Principals at all but two schools in the district responded to the visitation request and provided presentation times for their school sites by March 2013. The remaining two schools, Seven Oaks and Lacey Elementary, will be scheduled in 2013. The focus of the presentations was to highlight the amounts of the Student Assistance Grants and how to use and access the funds. We also encouraged district staff to join NTEF as contributing members – we all want to support our students. Thank you to the Board members who volunteered to do presentations: **Cindy Coble, Carletta Garraway, Suzanne Funston, Stephen Capps, Liz Squires, Angela Grant**, and **Jon Halvorson**.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Carletta Garraway, President/Chair

The Executive Committee of the Foundation Board serves as the administrative committee. The committee met monthly to plan meetings of the Board of Trustees and to handle business that occurred throughout the year. The Executive Committee made recommendations on these business matters to the full Board.

The Executive Committee prepared three newsletters for the Foundation in 2012 including the 2012 annual report. **Kathy Tingvall** provided design services; **REV Mailing** of Kent, Washington, donated mailing services (NTEF paid only the postage).

The Executive Committee prepared the 2013 budget, which was adopted by the Board in November 2012. Recognizing the extent of student needs, the Board approved the continuation of the 2012 funding level for the grants: \$1,200 for elementary schools, \$1,500 for middle schools and South Sound High School, and \$2,000 for large high schools and the district support fund. Learning Improvement Grants were increased for 2013 to \$2,000 each. Up to seven Learning Grants will be given. Funds were also budgeted as a contingency to be used when additional needs are identified.

With assistance from the Executive Committee and other appropriate committees, the Executive Director continued to work on revising the Foundation Policy and Procedures Handbook.

Redesign of the website was completed in 2012, with the design work by **Mike Williams of the Williams Group**. The website was "live" in November. Updated Scholarship and Learning Improvement Grant application forms are posted on the website.

The 2012 Executive Committee included the elected officers and a member-at-large: **Carletta Garraway**, president; **Liz Squires**, vice president resource development; **Steve Capps**, vice president resource management; **Ana Pedraza**, vice presi-

dent awards and disbursements, **Angela Grant**, member-at-large; **Sue Shannon**, executive director.

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

Lee Blankenship, Chair

The Investment Committee met quarterly in 2012 to review the status of the investment accounts. **Greg Stapp**, Stapp Financial Planning, LLC, served as investment advisor. Mr. Stapp is a Registered Investment Advisor (RIA), Series 65. The Investment Committee made recommendations to the Board of Trustees regarding investments, disposition of Certificates of Deposit, and other related activities within the parameters of the investment policies of the Foundation. The Investment Committee met jointly with the NTEF Board of Trustees for the April meeting. The meeting gave the Board members and Committee members the opportunity to meet one another and for the Board to hear the quarterly report presented by Greg Stapp. Although the markets continued to be somewhat volatile in 2012, the Foundation year-end balances were favorable. (The year-end report appears later in this report.) Also, because some donors have designated contributions to be used as needed, rather than invested in permanent endowment accounts, the Foundation was able to meet its program goals.

In accordance with the revised policy, the committee interviewed prospective investment advisors in April 2012. The committee chose to recommend continuing relationships with Greg Stapp with Stapp Financial Planning, LLC. The recommendation was approved by the NTEF Board.

As part of its ongoing responsibilities, the Committee reviewed its practices to verify compliance with the investment policies and practices. This year the Committee specifically improved and clarified its reporting of the endowment funds corpus, reserves, and excess earnings.

The committee recommended an increase to the requirement for a permanently endowed named scholarship from \$25,000 to \$34,000 and to make the change to the Foundation policy. According to the advice of Mr. Stapp, the new amount would support a yearly scholarship of \$2,000 in the current investment climate. The new policy also establishes a three-year timeframe for contributing the required amount. This policy change was approved by the Board in November 2012.

Committee members include: **Lee Blankenship, Rex Comstock, Ron Busche, Jack Arend, Mike Marohn**, with **Steve Capps** and **Sue Shannon** serving as ex officio members.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Tom MacRobert, Chair

The Audit Committee deferred the auditing of 2009 and 2010 to 2013 due to the availability of the volunteer auditor. Jack Honsowetz, an independent auditor, will complete the work for 2009-2012 at that time.

**SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS
AND THANK YOU:**

- All contributors and supporters of the Foundation.
- McGladrey & Pullen, LLP, Charles Keeslar and Mary Taylor, CPA, for tax preparation services.
- Greg Stapp, of Stapp Financial Planning, for service as investment advisor for investment accounts.
- Investment Committee for its extra work on investment policy and procedures and for conducting the review process for investment advisor.
- Mike Williams, for redesign and development of the Foundation website, www.ntef.org.
- Angela Grant for assistance with the website redesign and updates.
- Kathy Tingvall, for designing newsletters.
- REV Mailing, for donated mailing services.
- Lauren Kiolet, for administrative support, including financial and membership data bases
- Angela Grant and Gary Moody for assistance with Quick Books.
- Jonni Lissner and Members of Local 1948 for including the Foundation for the 5th year in the Stuff the Bus project, donating \$1,044.15.
- Mas-Uda Dancers, for donating \$892, the net earnings from their Showcase of Middle Eastern Dance held in April 2012.
- John and Opal McGimpsey, for their generous donation over the years that helps sustain our work.
- Committee chairs and members, listed above, for leadership and support of Foundation activities.
- Foundation Trustees, all volunteers, for their countless hours of service and contributions.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES, 2012

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THE FOUNDATION ASSETS AND FUND BALANCE

Year End Report, 2012

ASSETS		
Cash and Investments	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
General Fund	146,058	202,564*
Invested Funds	531,771	397,858
Corwin Fund	98,002	88,170
Ford Fund	23,338	21,804
Gott Fund	72,975	66,851
McGimpsey Fund	741,188	695,932
Parker/Ward Fund	237,501	225,000**
FUND BALANCE	\$ 1,850,833	\$ 1,698,179

Note: Program expenditures were withdrawn from designated accounts for 2012 scholarships and student assistance grants affecting fund balances.

** Includes \$75,000 gift received December 30, 2011, from the estate of Frank Parker, transferred to Invested Funds in 2012.*

***Establishes a designated memorial fund from Parker estate received December 30, 2011.*

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The North Thurston Education Foundation is an independent, not for profit, community-based organization that mobilizes financial, leadership and other resources necessary to enrich programs and enhance educational opportunities for students and staff of North Thurston Public Schools.

Members of the Board of Trustees and the executive director are all volunteers.

Donations to the Foundation may be sent to:
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Student Assistance Grants in Action

Ron Sisson, an elementary principal in North Thurston Public Schools, shared this story:

"In October of this year I was called down to a 4th grade classroom to speak to a boy who had come to school crying. He told the teacher his feet hurt and he couldn't walk. After getting him to come to the hall with me, he explained that his shoes hurt his feet and that he had no socks. I brought him to the office and together we called mom. She explained to me that she was between jobs and couldn't afford shoes. She'd managed to "scrounge up" a pair of his brother's old shoes, but that was the best she could do. I got permission from her at that point to take him from school to go buy a pair of shoes. I explained to her that I had a special pot of money that could be used to support students and families in just this situation.

When we got to the shoe store, I let him pick out a pair of shoes. He debated, shopped, tried on, jumped up and down and eventually

decided on a really cool pair of Nike High Top tennis shoes. We bought socks and shoes and he insisted on wearing them out of the store. The most amazing part was that the shoes that fit were a size and a half larger than the ones that he'd come to school in. When we got back to the school, we parked and began to walk up to the school. The entire walk into the building and down to the classroom, he watched his new shoes. He had a big grin and I had to repeatedly warn him to look up so he didn't run into the wall or a door.

If not for the Ed Foundation, this type of expenditure, and subsequently the continued successful learning of this student would not have happened. I tell this story repeatedly to others as I share the work of the Ed Foundation in supporting kids. It has become our charity of choice and our son Jeff has been donating as well."

Save the Date!

PARTNERS FOR KIDS LUNCHEON
Saint Martin's University
Worthington Center
October 8th, 2013, 11:30 a.m.

DATES AHEAD...
Scholarship Applications due
April 30, 2013

Learning Improvement Grants
Applications due June 3, 2013

