Lewis & Clark Foundation January 16, 2019, 5:35 p.m. Lewis and Clark County Extension Office

In attendance: Josh McKay Catherine McNeil Casey Peck Sean Maharg Leslie Donahue Cade Duran

The meeting was called to order by President, Josh McKay at 5:40 p.m. held in the Lewis and Clark County Extension Office meeting room. A quorum was not present. Minutes of the previous meeting were provided by Leslie Donahue, Secretary. Minutes were approved.

Catherine McNeil, Treasurer presented a Profit & Loss Expense Report outlining income and revenue for October 1 through January 16, 2019. Net income has fallen to -\$14,499.00 due to council request of \$13,000; Casey had a questions regarding income and expenses from the Dream Big Raffle so the treasurer's report will be reviewed and updated by Catherine to correct the problem. Foundation Investments have not made gains as they have in past years. The treasurer's report will be corrected and presented at the next meeting.

Casey Peck, Council Representative gave an update on council meeting policy changes, schedule changes, and a meeting overview. The Fair Theme for 2019 will be "Barn in the USA". The fairgrounds board would like to work with the council to make changes to fair schedules and awards ceremonies. They would like to include more 4 H members during the rodeo youth recognition event Saturday night. The steering committee is involved. Also, schedule changes are being made to the indoor auction to bridge indoor and outdoor auctions. They will discuss marketing options including radio spots and additional contact with "big" buyers.

Josh McKay asked for committee reports from the following list of committees: Scholarship, Building, Volunteer Appreciation Banquet, Promotion/Advertising, Budget and Nomination (new board members).

Information was presented from the Volunteer Appreciation Banquet Committee meetings held Tuesday, December 18th at 5:30 and Tuesday, January 15 at 4:30 by Catherine and Leslie. The name of the event will be <u>True Leaders in Service, Celebrating Area Volunteers.</u> The committee would like clubs to provide silent auction baskets and they would like the members to ask businesses to provide small auction items for a ticket style silent-auction. Also, committee suggested a letter be sent to local businesses to sponsor tables. Discussion of event ideas, participation, and funding continued. Cade suggested more youth involvement to highlight the skills learned through 4H, including youth leaders collecting items to donate to volunteers to show their appreciation and showcasing youth made items that could be used for fundraising. Kara has reserved the entryway of the Exhibit Hall for April 13th. The rental cost for the Exhibit hall entry is \$257.00 and the extension office can cover the rental cost. Kara mentioned during the discussion she really wants to recognize the volunteers.

Scholarship committee meeting discussion. Leslie, Claire, and Josh are currently on the committee and Cade would be interested in participating. Members should suggest proactive ways to communicate with the youth and ideas to promote the scholarships. Cade suggested Instagram to notify students of upcoming events, scholarships and deadlines. He mentioned that Instagram has a donation tool as well. Josh suggested a review of the application process, selection process and recognition of the awards being addressed. Action item; pick date for Scholarship committee meeting.

The meeting was adjourned by Josh Mckay. The next meeting will be held on February 6, at 5:30 p.m. with a location to be announced.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by:

Leslie Donahue, Secretary