Southeast Polk Dollars for Scholars
September 16, 2026 6pm
Southeast Polk Community Schools-District Office

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm by Lori. Quorum present.

Members in attendance: Lori Slings, Belinda Rinehart, Jenny Rinehart, Kevin Bennett, Quinn Lepley, Stephanie Groom Bridget Bell, Darell Butcher, Carrie Sponheim, Tiffany Filloon (Zoom), Jodi Minard

Approval of the minutes: Minutes from July 2026 meeting. Motion to approve-Belinda. Second-Stephanie. Motion passes.

Treasurer Report: Moved $50,000 to a 10-month CD, Endowments are up about $169,000 year to date. Community members reached out to start an endowment in honor of Roger Mahnke. SEP Dollars for Scholars has been named a beneficiary of an estate and Kevin will stay in contact to manage. Financial Reports from June, July, August. Motion to approve-Jenny. Second-Belinda. Motion passes.

Committee Reports:

A. Events
   a. 10/24/26 Rams Legacy Speakeasy Soiree – ISF Learning Center (Amy - Stephanie - Jodi - Nicole – Kelly - Event Committee)
      i. Homecoming Parade (October 1st) - small crew of walkers are secured. Will hand out informational flyers at the parade.
      ii. Setup will start at 9am on October 24th at the Animal Learning Center at Iowa State Fairgrounds. Setup needs to be done by 3:30pm.
      iii. Darell is working with the Senior High Advanced Wood Working class to build the bar. We will need to organize delivery of the bar--Kevin volunteered to take care of pickup/delivery.
      iv. Food and bar setup is being organized with Great Caterers.
      v. Doors open at 5pm. Board members arrive by 4pm. The event will end at 10:30pm.
         1. Stephanie will take the concerns about Live Auction time (scheduled for 9pm) back to Amy/Committee
         2. Texas Hold'em tournament--$100 buy in to tournament
      vi. Ticket link is live now--link is part of the event post on Facebook
         1. Kevin will create a promo code for board members.
      vii. DJ Kelly will arrive at 3:30pm.
      viii. Student liaisons will assist with clean up through the night, photography, and selling casino credits.
      ix. Get all donation lists/items to Stephanie

B. Christmas Tree Event (Amy & Robin)
   a. Post Thanksgiving
   b. Securing Christmas trees and placing in storage unit

C. Scholarships
   a. Scholarship night is May 12, 2027 at 7pm
   b. Carrie will have more information about scholarships after the Soiree. ChapterNet is experiencing difficulties--Carrie will continue working on updating the system for the 2027 award year.

D. Marketing - No report

E. Technology - No report

F. Student Liaison Update

The next meeting will be October 21, 2026 at 6pm.

Motion to adjourn by Belinda. Second by Jenny. Meeting adjourned at 6:42pm.