

**Warren/Alvarado/Oslo
Public School
Education Foundation**

2019 Annual Report

**WAO High School
WAO HS Library**

**April 15, 2020
5:00 PM**

**Warren/Alvarado/Oslo Public School
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Mission Statement

The WAO Education Foundation Promotes the highest quality education in our communities through the enhancement of public school education programs, projects and activities; the establishment and awarding of post-secondary scholarships; and the creation of private support opportunities for public elementary and secondary education.

Vision Statement

The Warren/Alvarado/Oslo Public School Education Foundation envisions community commitment to education which:

- *Unites the district, providing the highest quality educational program and opportunities**
- * Enhances the learning experience of our youth**
- *Recognizes and rewards the initiative of educators**
- * Encourages the post-secondary educational aspiration of young people**

WAO Annual Meeting Minutes

🏠 **Location:** WAO H.S. Library
📅 **Date:** 4/11/19
🕒 **Time:** 6:00 pm

WAO Annual Meeting April 11, 2019

Attendees: Jordan Johnson, WAO School Board Representative, Duane Swanson, Melanie Nelson, Carol Anderson, Carol Bowman, Sally Roller, WAO School Board Representative, Ed Rosendahl, Justin Brooks (Fransden Financials), Katie (Financial).

- I. Welcome and call to order – Carol Anderson. Carol welcomed all to the meeting and shared copies of minutes from the secretary and treasurer of the previous Annual Report. Minutes and financials were available for comparison. A motion to approve the minutes was made and seconded by Melanie and Ed. Motion was carried.
- II. WAO Education Foundation Financial Review with Fransden Bank: Justin Brooks requested to be first on the agenda due to the poor weather conditions tonight. He provided the Foundation with information regarding holdings, assets, stocks/bonds and dividends. We received multiple handouts which will be attached to these minutes for complete review. He shared that our 4th quarter was rough, but we've made a comeback during our first quarter this year. Current + \$652,598.00.

Justin further informed the Foundation that Fransden Bank is interested in again sponsoring a hole and will golf during our annual tournament to be held during the All School Reunion weekend.
- III. 2018 Scholarship Recipients: A recap of the scholarship meeting reminded the Foundation that there was a total of \$42,800 awarded to 21 seniors last year. Total purchases for classrooms and supplies were also reviewed with \$39,967.05 being donated by the WAO Education Foundation.
- IV. New Scholarships: Two new scholarships were put in place this year. Dennis and Louise Brekke and Kenneth Poolman.

A motion by Ed / Dewey was made to adjourn the annual meeting.

Visits – Following the Annual Meeting, the Foundation was invited by Amber Schoepp to visit her special education classroom where she has implemented some of the supplies purchased by the Foundation. She had a student present to demonstrate the items purchased. Following her presentation, the Foundation visited with the Spanish Classroom

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and students there where we were treated to a visual presentation highlighting their upcoming trip to Costa Rica. They shared their travel itinerary as well as a tasty drink with the group.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melanie Nelson, Acting Secretary

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Statement of Profit and Loss

For the Years Ended December 31, 2018 and 2019

REVENUE	2019	2018	Difference
Donations	12,958.28	36,920.06	(23,961.78)
Designated Funds	44,769.35	7,253.11	37,516.24
<u>Fund Raiser Income:</u>			
Golf Tournament	30,307.50	25,765.00	4,542.50
Misc Fundraisers	13,699.00	2,674.00	11,025.00
Supper Fundraiser	3,625.48	2,121.11	1,504.37
<u>Dividend/Interest Income:</u>			
Bremer Checking	12.62	13.41	(0.79)
General Fund (Frandsen)	19,710.96	16,648.58	3,062.38
Haugen Scholarship (Schwab)	18,223.30	16,852.25	1,371.05
Capital Gains/Loss Realized	9,377.04	21,386.31	(12,009.27)
Memberships	3,215.00	2,950.00	265.00
Memorials	15,069.50	15,808.00	(738.50)
Scholarships	130,210.20	126,636.50	3,573.70
Tribute	515.00	350.00	165.00
Total REVENUE	301,693.23	275,378.33	26,314.90
EXPENSES			
Advertising	818.42	4,613.66	(3,795.24)
Board Meeting Expense	280.86	216.60	64.26
Designated Funds Expense	11,239.44	3,503.83	7,735.61
Donation Expense	800.00	4,000.00	(3,200.00)
Donor Wall	978.73	5,664.86	(4,686.13)
Investment Fees	5,100.90	4,859.44	241.46
<u>Fund Raiser Expense:</u>			
Golf Tournament	4,605.04	2,835.70	1,769.34
Misc Fundraisers	5,060.00	4,803.15	256.85
Supper Fundraiser	504.59	219.72	284.87
Needs Survey Expense	40,596.25	37,419.03	3,177.22
Miscellaneous Expense	-	-	-
Insurance	796.00	798.00	(2.00)
Office Expense	3,254.20	2,956.99	297.21
Postage	553.28	247.44	305.84
Printing	10,275.00	8,920.00	1,355.00
Scholarship Expense	42,300.00	51,220.00	(8,920.00)
Professional Fees	1,895.00	2,200.00	(305.00)
Director Fee Expense	1,200.00	1,200.00	-
Office Wages/Payroll Tax	3,035.74	2,979.22	56.52
Total EXPENSES	133,293.45	138,657.64	(5,364.19)
NET INCOME	168,399.78	136,720.69	31,679.09
Capital Gains/Loss Unrealized	206,087.52	(183,303.69)	389,391.21

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BALANCE SHEETS
December 31, 2018 and 2019

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>Difference between 2018 and 2019</u>
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>			
Checking - Bremer	151,822.81	142,804.76	9,018.05
Checking - American Federal	674.85	502.62	172.23
Total Current Assets	152,497.66	143,307.38	9,190.28
<u>RESTRICTED ACCOUNTS</u>			
Charles Schwab Greg Haugen	890,454.25	695,143.63	195,310.62
Frandsen Bank & Trust (Scholarships)	748,697.67	578,704.37	169,993.30
Total Restricted Asssets	1,639,151.92	1,273,848.00	365,303.92
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>	1,791,649.58	1,417,155.38	374,494.20
<u>NET ASSETS</u>			
Unrestricted	152,497.66	143,307.38	9,190.28
Temporarily Restricted	-	-	-
Permanently Restricted	1,639,151.92	1,273,848.00	365,303.92
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES & CAPITAL</u>	1,791,649.58	1,417,155.38	374,494.20

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NET INCOME COMPOSITION

December 31, 2018 and 2019

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Checking Account - Bremer	\$ 9,018.05	\$ 15,078.10
Checking Account - American Federal	\$ 172.23	\$ 141.06
Frandsen Bank & Trust	\$ 169,993.30	\$ (46,989.30)
Greg M. Haugen Fund - Schwab	\$ 195,310.62	\$ (14,842.69)

Scholarships Awarded in 2019

Lyle H Engelstad Scholarship \$2,000: *Kendra Tallum, Kinzie Gullikson, Koby Johnson*

Muriel Maruska / Roley Scholarship \$500: *Madeline Wurtzel*

Albert R. Chruszch Memorial Scholarship \$500: *Sarah Haugtvedt, Jesse Kilen*

Alvarado Lions Club Scholarship \$600: *Lyndsey Pierce*

Clifford & Richard Adrian Memorial Scholarship \$500: *Ryan Pederson*

Coach Phil Beving Memorial Scholarship \$500: *Faith Porter*

Edwin C Johnson Memorial Scholarship \$1000: *Sarah Haugtvedt*

Fern Gilbert Memorial Scholarship \$1000: *Kinzie Gullikson*

Gary Schuler Endowment Scholarship \$1000: *Sarah Haugtvedt, Ryan Pederson*

Greg M Haugen Memorial Scholarship \$1000 (renewable): *Ryan Pederson, Koby Johnson, Kendra Tallum, Kinzie Gullikson, Jill Borowicz*

Jeff Evin Memorial Scholarship \$500: *Koby Johnson*

The Jumpstart Scholarship \$500: *Jesse Kilen*

Justin "Huggie" Haugtvedt Memorial Scholarship \$500: *Sarah Haugtvedt, Faith Porter*

Merrill & Mildred Stroble Memorial Scholarship \$1000: *Tyler Estabrook, Kinzie Gullikson*

Morris & Ivy Maruska Memorial Scholarship \$1000: *Jessica Olson*

Myron & Margaret Carlson Scholarship \$500: *Morgan Bartels*

Newell E Aas Memorial Scholarship \$250: *Matthew Haugen*

O.J. Peyton Memorial Scholarship \$250: *Erich Rittmann*

Percy Gilbert Memorial Scholarship \$1000: *Koby Johnson*

Richard P Nelson Memorial Scholarship \$1000: *Tyler Estabrook*

Robert L Strandberg Memorial Scholarship \$1000 (renewable): *Jessica Olson, Kendra Tallum*

Scott E Forbes Memorial Scholarship \$400: *Jill Borowicz*

Scholarships Awarded in 2019

Tracy Chruszch Memorial Scholarship \$500: *Hallee Spidahl, Sarah Haugtvedt*

Vivian Olson Scholarship \$500: *Hallee Spidahl*

Warren Volunteer Ambulance Corps. Scholarship \$1000: *Madeline Wurtzel*

WAO Ed Foundation Scholarships \$1000: *Jill Borowicz, Ryan Pederson, Hallee Spidahl, Claire Wehri, Philipp Bielialev*

WAO Ed Foundation Scholarships \$500: *Lyndsey Pierce, Matthew Haugen, Autum Salmon*

WHS Class of 1953 Scholarship \$1000: *Karissa Wehri*

WHS Class of 1957 Scholarship \$500: *Karissa Wehri*

WHS Class of 1959 / Lyle Anderson Football Challenge Scholarship \$500: *Claire Wehri*

Chris Riopelle Memorial Scholarship \$300: *Karissa Wehri*

Elizabeth A Porter Honorary Scholarship \$500: *Madeline Wurtzel*

William G Porter Memorial Scholarship \$500: *Faith Porter*

Don & Shirley Mager STEM Scholarship \$1000: *Tyler Estabrook, Jill Borowicz*

Dennis & Louise Brekke and Family Endowment \$1000: *Kendra Tallum*

Kenneth Poolman Memorial Scholarship \$500: *Jesse Kilen*

Ronald Leroy Jorgensen Mechanic Scholarship \$500: *Jessica Olson*

Jeanne E Kotrba Memorial Scholarship \$750: *Erich Rittmann, Claire Wehri*

Cecelia (Vanyo) Kovar Scholarship \$500: *Morgan Bartels*

Paula Laudal Memorial Scholarship \$500: *Autum Salmon, Morgan Bartels*

\$47,800 Awarded in 2019

\$32,300 Paid out (approx 68%)

\$15,500 not paid (not in school / no info received and \$1000 not paid out until 2nd year)

Exhibit A

Committee Reports for 2019 Annual Meeting

Fundraisers

Baked Potato Supper – January 7, 2019 - \$1,654.24 (net)
Baked Potato Supper – December 6, 2019 - \$1,716.65 (net)
Golf Scramble – July 26, 2019 - \$26,705.18 (net)
Yearbook Sales - \$75.00
Cookbooks - \$2,850.00
Amazon Smile - \$172.23
Golf Raffle - \$4,940.00 (net)
Christmas Quilt Raffle - \$500.00 (net)
Bill Grange Prints - \$84.00

New Scholarships awarded in 2019

Ronald Leroy Jorgensen Mechanic Scholarship
Jeanne E Kotrba Memorial Scholarship
Cecelia (Vanyo) Kovar Scholarship
Paula Laudal Memorial Scholarship

Monthly Staff Payroll Deductions (Donations)

23 members of WAO Staff - \$4,343.90 general fund
1 member of WAO Staff - \$581.85 designated to football / \$500 Jorgenson Scholarship
1 member of WAO Staff - \$130.00 designated to Riopelle Scholarship

Annual Donations

One member - \$180/year (\$15/month) designated to Jeff Evin Scholarship
One member - \$120/year (\$10/month) general fund
One member - \$300/year (\$25/month) designated to band
One member - \$120/year (\$10/month) designated to Riopelle Scholarship
One member - \$1,200/year (\$100/month) designated to Brekke Scholarship

Alumni Membership Levels

Educator (\$100 level): 718 (*up 19 from 2018*)
Mentor (\$500 level): 202 (*up 19 from 2018*)
Scholar (\$1,000 level): 206 (*up 14 from 2018*)
Benefactor (\$5,000 level): 59 (*up 6 from 2018*)

2019 General Membership: 129 (\$25 each totaling \$3,215) (*one member paid \$15 instead of \$25*)

2019 Needs Requests

High School	Social Studies	Movie Tickets	\$1,100.00
High School	Ind Tech	3D Printers	\$4,100.00
Elem/HS	Speech Language	Improving Speech/Language Skills	\$533.20
Elementary	2nd Grade	Math Carts / Seating	\$137.61
Elementary	Preschool	Increasing Diversity Materials	\$1,196.79
Elementary	Kindergarten	Bridges Math Work Place/Guided Reading	\$764.91
Elementary	Reading Specialist	Fountas & Pinnell Classroom Guided Reading	\$7,085.00
Elementary	Library	Library Environment / Makerspace	\$141.42
Elementary	Special Ed	Update West entry for Student Use	\$450.00
Elementary	PhyEd	Blue Tooth Speaker	\$107.00
High School	Science	Magnetic Stirrer/Hot Plate	\$938.00
Elementary	1st Grade	Building a Classroom Library	\$300.00
Elementary	4th Grade	Classroom Rug	\$588.72
Elementary	Para & Librarian	Blue Tooth Speaker for Inside Recess	\$140.00
High School	Business Ed	We're Countin' It Calculator	\$288.18
High School	FACS	FCCLA Chapter Start Up	\$600.00
Elem/HS	Band	Tenor Sax	\$1,575.00
High School	Para	Math - Learning Resources	\$167.49
High School	Special Ed	Be the "I" in Kind	\$428.95
High School	Special Ed	Honor Roll Recognition (Magnets)	\$409.95
Elem/HS	Para	Sensory Calming Kits	\$815.45
High School	Art	Put-In Cups	\$1,000.00
Elementary	5th Grade	MN Forestry Center Field Trip	\$200.00
High School	Library	Junior Library Guild Subscription Renewal	\$1,204.20
High School	Business	Community Service Day Shirts	\$1,200.00
High School	Para	Math Game Day	\$83.41
High School	Counselor	Transport Chair/Weighted Blanket/Safety Harness	\$414.76
High School	Art	Operation Shop Vac	\$150.00
Elementary	Reading Specialist	Guided Reading Collection	\$7,085.00
Elementary	Preschool	ECFE 1's Supplies	\$500.00
Elementary	Library	Library Game Area	\$345.26
Elementary	1st Grade	Document Camera for Instruction	\$99.00
Elementary	Special Education	Rocker School Chairs	\$343.84
Elementary	Counselor	Making Good Choices	\$125.70
Elementary	Learning Disabilities	Vocabulary & Writing Improvement	\$227.40
Elementary/HS	Speech	Speech Language	\$199.30
Elementary	1st Grade	Wireless Microphone Sound System	\$417.95
Elementary/HS	Band	WAO Jazz Guitar	\$774.96

\$36,446.34 paid out for needs in 2019 (may include previous years requests)

Many 2019 requests came out of several generous donations designated for classroom needs

2019 Designated Funds Paid

Europe Band Trip (Jakob Wurtzel)	\$3000.00	Water & Snacks for Testing Day	\$400.00
Costa Rica Trip (Spanish Class)	\$920.00	Spelling Bee	\$191.00
CA Band Trip – Master Professor	\$300.00	New Teachers	\$1749.91
FACS	\$1805.00	Special Ed	\$1242.51
Football	\$792.13	Kindergarten	\$231.01
Anderson Endowment (Books)	\$1809.00		

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

2019 was another exciting year for the Warren/Alvarado/Oslo Public School Education Foundation. There has been a two-way street with us reaching out to alumni and also with alumni reaching out to us. Our scholarships and memberships continued to grow. We are constantly overwhelmed with the generosity of our communities, alumni and friends for their involvement and carrying out the motto and mission statement of the Foundation.

The third weekend in July was a huge milestone for our communities, school, and area with the Marshall County Fair, our 15th Annual Golf Scramble, and the Alvarado/Oslo/Valley North, and Warren All-School Reunion. The town was filled with visitors from across America and some foreign countries. The halls of WAO were filled with more chatter than on a regular school day! Hugs, tears, laughter, and smiles radiated throughout the buildings as classmates and friends recalled the good times along with memories of events and folks that are no longer with us or were unable to attend. Over 600 people attended the Saturday afternoon program in the auditorium. Along with the All-School Reunion many individual classes gathered together. Many of the Alvarado Alumni gathered at the Alvarado Community Center for a time of renewal and memory sharing.

183 golfers participated in our largest scramble in the 15 years of existence. Even with the large turnout of golfers, the event moved very smoothly. We cleared over \$26,700. We are most grateful and indebted to our wonderful donors, sponsors, golfers, volunteers, and to everyone who helped us in any way.

The WAO Class of 2019 had 61 scholarships totaling \$69,800 presented to them. Most of these scholarships are facilitated by the Foundation, but in addition we presented seven of our own. The above amount includes the Greg. M. Haugen Memorial Scholarships and the Robert L. Strandberg Memorial Scholarships that are renewable for a total of four years of college.

Our WAO seniors have many opportunities for scholarships through the Foundation thanks to the generosity and support of many families and alumni. During 2019 these scholarships were added: WHS Class of 1967 Scholarship, Louie & Gertie Kuznia Memorial Scholarship, the Curt & Faye Kuznia and Family Endowment Scholarship, the Judovsky Family Scholarship, the WHS Class of 1960 Scholarship, and the WHS Class of 1969 Scholarship. Wow!

During 2019, 66 condolence letters were mailed along with one of our brochures to families of deceased alumni and friends. We also continue to send a letter to these people when a memorial has been given to the Foundation. No amounts are listed, but we list the names that have donated and if the total is over \$100 we include information stating that their name will be placed on the monitor on our donor wall in memory of that person.

Each February and September the WAO staff have the opportunity to submit needs request forms to the Foundation. This is for items over and beyond what the district provides for their classrooms. During 2019 we funded \$45,740.

We had two Baked Potato/Salad Bar events this year because the Stephen/Argyle boys basketball game for 2018-2019 was in January and the game for 2019-2020 was in December. Again, these events wouldn't be possible without our wonderful

volunteers. The WAO Staff and Employees donated food as well as their time helping with the events. The proceeds of these events go back into their classroom and activities through their needs requests.

We continue to present new licensed, certified staff with a \$200 welcome gift to purchase items for their classroom/project area. In addition, each is presented with a \$50 gift certificate from the WAO Wearhouse to purchase Pony attire.

During American Education Week in November we hosted a luncheon for all school personnel as a thank you for all of the things that they do for our students and school. Again, some of our wonderful volunteers assisted with this project.

The cookbook project that one of our school board liaisons, Sally Roller, originated has been very successful. This project brought in \$2,850 during this year. We still have a few boxes of cookbooks and would be happy to mail one out for a fee of \$20 or for you to pick one up at many of the Warren businesses for \$15.00. It is filled with mouthwatering recipes from many alumni, staff, and friends from near and far!

We continue to work hard at keeping our database as up-to-date as possible. We appreciate all of the notices that we receive about name and address changes along with other information.

Long time board member Ellen (Fillipi) Strickler resigned from the board at the end of 2019. Thank you, Ellen, for ALL of the work that you did with special projects/events and the Connections in addition to regular board duties. We appreciate you very much and look forward to having you volunteer with us in the future.

We appreciate the work of many people to keep everything running smoothly. Heidi Thorstenson, WAO Tech Coordinator, keeps our pages on the school website up to date under the link to the WAO Education Foundation. Feel free to check out the page entitled *Recently Deceased Family and Friends* for recent death information. We can only include the information that we have, so we're asking you to keep us updated on any obituaries or deaths of classmates/alumni. Our office manager, Carol Bowman, does all of the computer work, receipts, and keeps our database up to date. She along with Katie (Lind) Holte of Phil Thompson & Associates keep all of our bookkeeping accurate. Tamara (Johnson) Oberg keeps our Facebook page intact.

Please remember that if you give a gift to the Foundation that you may attach a note or write in the memo of your check that you would like it designated to a specific scholarship, grade, or department. All undesignated donations/memorials go into the general fund.

We continue to grow, people know about us, and we are moving forward. We appreciate the WAO communities, all of our alumni and friends along with the district Lon Jorgensen, Ben Miska, and Kirk Thorstenson.

All of the things that we've worked on, accomplished, and succeeded with are because of the DEDICATED, DEVOTED WAO Education Foundation board members who give freely of their time and talents. They are vice chairman Russell Miller, Secretary Pam Jubie, Treasurer Carol Bowman, Directors Melanie Nelson, Ed Rosendahl, Carol Sedgeman, Duane Swanson, and school board liaisons Jordan Johnson and Sally Roller. They are the best!

We've had a great 2019 with many exciting projects and adventures. Thank you for being in partnership with us. We look forward to more expansion and involvement in 2020.

“WE CAN'T SUCCEED WITHOUT YOU”

Carol J Anderson