



Treasure Trove Giving Circle
July 27, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. online and at C-FC High School

24-25 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

Persons Present:

- **Board Members:** Kelli Krzysztan, Joe Kaczorowski, Steve Scharlau, Nicki Adank, Michelle Schmidtknecht
- **School Representatives:** Steve Stoppelmoor
- **Guests:** Kalene Engel

Minutes by: Kalene Engel

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 5:10 p.m. by Kelli Krzysztan

Treasurer's Report: The balance in the Treasure Trove Fund at Winona Community Foundation was \$50,431.76 as of June 30, 2025. The \$6,551 from the Schmidtknecht Golf Tourney was added in July, making the balance \$56,982.76. The balance in the Alliance Checking Account is around \$1,000.

Review Grant Requests: The 2024-25 grant requests included the Augmented Reality Sandbox and graphic calculators. Mr. Stoppelmoor has received good feedback about purchases.

C-FC Happenings: Some of the referendum projects are being completed this summer (roofing) with others in the planning and design stage (tech ed, family and consumer education).

Election of Directors: Three director spots are up for election: Joe Kaczorowski, Jeff Hofer and Jared Cyrus. Joe and Jeff are not seeking reelection; Jared hasn't responded to messages for quite some time. Kelli nominated Kalene Engel and Steve Scharlau nominated Jenny Slaby. Steve moved to close nominations; Michelle seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0. On separate unanimous votes, both nominees were elected to the board.

Term Ending 6/30/26	Term Ending 6/30/27	Term Ending 6/30/28
Steve Scharlau *	Open	Open
Nicki Adank *	Karla Patzner*	Kalene Engel*
Michelle Schmidtknecht *	Kelli Krzysztan*	Jenny Slaby*

*Eligible for 1 additional 3 year term

Election of Officers: The current officers are

- President: Kelli
- Vice-President: Jeff
- Treasurer: Steve
- Secretary: Nicki

Steve nominated Kelli for President; Nicki seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Michelle nominated Kalene for Vice-President; Nicki seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Steve nominated Nicki for Secretary; Michelle seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Michelle nominated Steve for Treasurer; Nicki seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

TTGC Website: Kalene consolidated all the “Grants Awarded” pages into one page. Kelli suggested that language be added to the website to thank past directors for their service. Kalene will do so. Everyone should review the C-FC webpage for TTGC and let Kelli know of changes that should be made.

Golf Tourney Update: Thank you to Michelle for suggesting that TTGC receive the proceeds from the annual Denny Schmidtknecht Golf Tournament. Despite challenging weather, the tournament raised \$6,551 funds between two flights of golfers. Karla has the TTGC Thank You Cards so Kelli will reach out to her about doing a thank you to Nancy Schmidtknecht.

Alumni Round-Up Survey: As part of an effort to build an alumni contacts database, Superintendent Troy White had an Alumni Round-Up Survey posted on the school Facebook page/website. The survey allowed respondents to indicate interest in school support groups, including TTGC.

Raising Awareness of TTGC: Extensive discussion was held on the possibility of doing a tailgate dinner or other event(s) as a way to raise awareness of TTGC, highlight referendum progress, raise money, engage alumni and set the groundwork for future legacy donations from alumni and other supporters. Ultimately, the group agreed that meeting with Troy to discuss and better understand his vision for an alumni organization was the most prudent use of the director’s time. Kelli will reach out to Troy to arrange a meeting.

Meeting Adjourned: Motion to adjourn by Michelle, seconded by Steve. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m.