**TRACY FAMILY FOUNDATION**

**2021 Next Gen Ozark Meeting Minutes and Notes**

**Monday, August 2, 2021 at 9:00 am – 10:00 am**

*Note: 21th Annual Next Gen Meeting at Lake of the Ozarks*

**Pancake Breakfast**

Grandma Tracy pancakes and sausage were whipped up by chefs Andrew, Fred, and Dick prior to the start of the Next Gen meeting. This activity is a sure way to get people to come to the meeting and on time! The Family Council organizes the breakfast.

**2021 Meeting Attendance:** 15-2Gs, 43-3Gs, and 29-4Gs = 87

**2021 Attendees:** *Worth noting…There was a lot of “coming and going” between 4Gs, 3G parents of 4Gs, and grandparents. 😊*

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|  | **Attendees** | | |
| **Family Branch** | **2G** | **3G** | **4G** |
| Don & Wanda | - | Liz, Andrew | Charles, Avie, George |
| Pat & Jane | Pat & Jane | Erin, Kevin, Diana, Brian, Lauren, Louis, Ryan, Kenzie | Bella, Caroline, Ellianna, Johnny, Emerson, Carson, Bennett, Tyler, Paige |
| Tom & Catherine | Tom & Catherine | Micaela, Alex | Reagan & Sawyer |
| Anne & Ray | Anne | - | - |
| Jim & Jil | Jil | Rob, Natalie, Ben, Annie, Kelsey | Molly, Benjamin, Ruthie, Sloane, Tripp |
| Jean & Mike | Jean & Mike | Sara, Eric, John, Erica, Brian & Ari | Ava, Kate, Olivia, Emmy, Beau, Alice |
| John & Linda | John & Linda | Christine, Dan, Angie, Jake, Mike, Nikki, and Kelsey | Bobbie, Audrey, Ellie, and James |
| Mary & Jay | Mary | Teresa, Sam, Maggie |  |
| Susie & Scott | Susie | Chris, Ellie |  |
| Jane & Fred | Fred & Jane | Jake, Katelyn |  |
| Joe & Jill | Jill | Kristin, Sam, Ali, Jenna |  |
| Dick & Adina | - | Zach, Hannah |  |
| **Attendee Grand Total: 87** | | | |

**Committee:** Megan Costigan and NGAB members (Kelsey Cope, Jake Schlater, Kelsey Tracy, Ari Buckley, Natalie Tracy, & Jake Schmidt)

**Room Setup:** Tables set up in u-shape in the main room of the clubhouse. The big screen was utilized for the ppt presentation. Jake Schlater ran the ppt. The board room was used to host the 4G activity.

**Materials**

* 4G Activities: Linda provided the treats for the boxes, crayons, and markers. Megan purchased the boxes, stickers, and prizes. She also developed the prayer sheet.

3G Meeting: Prior to the meeting, Megan prepared and reached out to the 3Gs and asked them to identify what nonprofit they would be highlighting. A Master List of the organizations was not provided to all 3Gs prior to the meeting.

**4G Activity**

4Gs were in the small boardroom again this year for their Learning to Give activities. Linda Tracy led the charge. Grandparent support was solicited to help manage the little ones. The following occurred:

* + They highlighted two of TFF’s focus areas – faith and family – through stories and crafts.
  + Craft – 4Gs decorated a Chinese to-go box with crayons, markers and stickers. Some treats and a prayer were put inside. The goal was to share their treats with their family and say the prayers together.
  + Dot truck coloring contest – Time and interest did not allow for this activity to occur during the hour. However, the coloring sheets were delivered to each of the cabins by Ava & Kate Terwelp after the meeting.

**3G Meeting**

Kelsey Cope (Chair of the Next Generation Advisory Board) welcomed everyone (2Gs, 3Gs, and 4Gs). She began by sharing the video and reading The Story of Dot and TFF to highlight the connection between the two. The Family Council created this in 2019 and it continues to be appropriate to share. A group photo of the 3Gs and 4Gs was then taken. The 4Gs and many grandparents then exited to the board room for the 4G activity.

**Tracy Family Foundation Project Update**

Jean provided a project update on the following items:

* Bike Trails
* Brown County Early Learning Center
* Brown County Public Library
* IL Transportation Enhancement Program grant
* Welcome Signs
* Building Wall Mural
* Dorothy Tracy Estate Gift

**Matching, Next Gen, Family Invitation, and Volunteer Incentive Grant Programs**

Kelsey provided an overview of the new Cybergrants portal that family members are accessing when submitting their Matching and Next Gen grant applications. She also shared current participation rates and encourage all to do their apps “sooner, rather than later”. Jake Schmidt spoke briefly about the Family Invitation program. Ari encouraged everyone to engage in the Volunteer Incentive Program and reminded all of upcoming deadlines.

**NGAB Special Impact Grant (SIG)**

Kelsey then reviewed the grant history of SIG and shared that the 2021 focus of the SIG is Foster Care. The 2021 SIG budget is $100,000. NGAB members are currently in the process of conducting site visits at the following organizations: Marygrove (St. Louis), Good Shepard (St. Louis), Voices for Children (Tampa), SOS Children’s Villages (Chicago), and Mount Saint Vincent (Denver).

**TFF Retreat and Servember**

Details of the upcoming TFF retreat were shared and all were encouraged to attend. NGAB also highlighted the history of Servember and let everyone know that Megan will be in touch soon with more information for the 2021 activities.

**Next Gen Advisory Board**

All of the NGAB members then spoke briefly about their experience on NGAB and encourage other 3Gs to consider serving on NGAB.

**Next Gen and Matching Grant Review/Voting**

The 3G’s and 4G’s 5 and older in the room shared the name of their organization, its purpose, and why they chose the organization. They filled out a survey to choose the Next Gen and the Matching Grant winners. This year’s winners are TASK (St. Louis) and The Rise School (Denver). Each of the winning organizations will receive a $3000 grant. See pages 3 & 4 for the organizations that were highlighted by the 3Gs.

**The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:00 am.**

**Feedback and Suggestions from the Meeting**

For 2021

* Group organizations that were shared by the 3Gs according to city or region. Send this grouping to the 3Gs. The purpose will be to provide them with ideas for their 2021 Next Gen and Matching Grants.

For 2022 Meeting

* Have a 20 minute meeting with NGAB on the day before the meeting to go over the slides.
* Determine age or grade that the 4Gs should be to participate in the bigger meeting.
* Have a microphone to pass around when 3Gs/4Gs are presenting their grantee organizations. I am not certain that a microphone is necessary for the NGAB presenters but should be discussed.
* A few weeks prior to the meeting, have 3Gs and 4Gs identify the nonprofit they will be highlighting. At the meeting, have a slide for each nonprofit with basic info (such as Name, Picture, Location, What they do). Show this slide when the family member is speaking.
* On a slide, show the Master List of names of organizations that were presented. People can’t remember the name of the organizations. They often only remember the name of the 3G who presented.
* Consider at what age 3Gs should no longer be presenting.
* Survey 3Gs for changes/improvements for the 2022 meeting.

**2021 Nonprofits Highlighted by 3Gs**

* Liz: Hoogland Center for the Arts
* Andrew: Jacksonville Main Street
* Micaela: St. Louis Area Food Bank
* Sam: Sleep in Heavenly Peace
* Jenna: Horizons Food Pantry
* Ali: Salvation Army
* Hannah: Project Sunshine
* Zach: TASK
* Diana: Raise the Future
* Brian Bittner – Loyola Academy/St. Louis
* Brian Buckley – St. Louis Crisis Nursery
* Lauren – Front Line Foods
* Diana – The Rise School
* Bella – Firefly Autism School
* Sara & Eric – Quincy YMCA
* Terwelp Girls – Horizons
* Chris – BC Early Learning Center
* Ellie S – Food Right
* Ryan – Boys & Girls Club of Metro Denver
* John & Erica – St. Louis Area Food Bank
* Kenzi – Warm Hearts Warm Babies
* Annie – Unbound
* Kelsey & Matt Tracy - I Am More Foundation
* Nikki – Operation Break Through
* Maggie – Women’s Project
* Christine – KaBoom – Next Gen
* Kristin – St. Louis University/Family Dinner Project/Habitat for Humanity
* Jake & Katelyn – Duo Dogs
* Angie -- Modern Classroom
* Sam – Global Heritage Fund
* Natalie & Rob - Bessie’s Hope
* Kelsey - Greater Food Depository in Chicago
* Alex – Senior Center
* Theresa – Equal Justice Initiative
* Jake – Ignatian Spirituality Project
* Charles – YMCA in Jacksonville