HCRT Foundation Annual Report 2016

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The HCRT Foundation has met 3 times since the general meeting last March. Our most recent meeting was held on Monday March 6, 2017. This was our organizational meeting, and we selected officers for the 2017- 2018 year.

The board meets for 2016 were: Becky Chamberlin-agent; Gene Grime-treasurer; Terry Witt-president; Jan Schlade- vice-president; Steve Seagrave- secretary; Linda Wagner-member. Jerri Osborn concluded her term on the board and as president of the board. Sandra Honemann will join us as the 2021 member.

Treasurer Gene Grime will provide copies of the financial report, and it will be in the next newsletter.

The history of the Foundation has been updated, adding the names of the Book Grant recipients for 2016: Drew Garringer- Griffith recipient; Allison Lamming- Brubaker recipient; Madlyn Dishop-Sherman recipient; Michaela Jones- King recipient. We had an increase in the number of well qualified applicants for all 4 Henry County schools.

All 4 grants are in the amount of \$1000. Information about the Giffith Grant, which is due April 1st, has been delivered to the guidance departments of all 4 high schools. There will also been information in the newspapers of the county, WNDH, and the Defiance Crescent, which gives us contact with the families of students, who are no longer in high school. The deadline for the other 3 grants is June 1st, and that information will go out at the beginning of April. I will be sending letters to all the recipients and applicants from last year, inviting to apply again if they are still eligible. There are handouts available today if you would like to post them at your church or other location, or if you know any students pursuing education as a career. We have awarded 41 book grants, totaling nearly \$22,500, since 1998. Remember, you may contribute to the Foundation at any time by sending donations to Gene Grime.

Please continue your efforts to get the information out that these grants are available. Personal contact has been a very effective tool to increase the number of well-qualified applicants who have participated in recent years.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Witt, President