

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF  
NISWONGER FOUNDATION, INC.  
Thursday, August 17, 2017

A meeting of the Directors of the Niswonger Foundation Inc., a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware (the "Foundation"), was held at Landair, Inc., in Greeneville, Tennessee on Thursday, August 17, 2017, at 9:00 a.m.

Board members Scott M. Niswonger, David Golden, Alan Levine, Nikki Niswonger, John Tweed and Nancy Dishner were present. Staff members Richard Kitzmiller and Kathy Odell were in attendance. Robin Shepherd and CeeGee McCord were also present. Scott M. Niswonger chaired the meeting.

The Chairman presented the minutes of the Foundation's May 5, 2017 Board Meeting for approval. After discussion and upon a motion made by Mrs. Niswonger and seconded by Mr. Tweed, the minutes were approved. (A copy of the minutes is filed with the records of the Foundation.)

The Chairman presented the financials for the Niswonger Foundation. An update was provided on investments and expenditures. Following discussion, the financial report was accepted. (Copies of the reports are filed with the records of the Foundation.)

Dr. Dishner presented the scholarship and leadership report. Dr. Dishner and Mr. Kitzmiller presented the program and partnership report. The work plan was distributed and reviewed. The presenters responded to questions.

Dr. Dishner presented the updated Niswonger Foundation organizational report for the Board's information.

The Board was presented one partnership requests for discussion:

1. East Tennessee State University presented a proposal to fund the Early Development Instrument (EDI) to the following counties: Carter, Greene, Hancock, Hawkins, Johnson, Sullivan, Unicoi and Washington. The EDI data would provide a lens for communities to reflect on where and why children are doing better or worse in particular geographic and developmental areas. Results could be used to provide better and more equitable outcomes for children. The total project budget is \$733,753, with a \$35,000 request of the Niswonger Foundation.

Dr. Dishner did not recommend initial approval, since funding is not available in the current budget. She did discuss her support of the project, in theory. While the Board discussed that funding was not available to support this proposal, there was strong interest from each Board member. Mr. Levine suggested that Drs. Dishner and Kitzmiller meet with the grant staff from Mountain State Health Alliance to consider possibilities for funding. Dishner and Kitzmiller will follow up on this request.

