Dear Friends,

Welcome to our 2016 Annual Report.

The report takes on a calendar format this time to showcase how your gifts to the Appleton Education Foundation have helped transform educators’ creative ideas into action for the benefit of Appleton Area School District students and our community every day of the year.

It has been a memorable year. Here are a few highlights:

• More than 120 grants totaling more than $287,000 supported teaching and learning in our Appleton schools.

• AEF brought hope and encouragement for people affected by autism by sponsoring three different appearances by Kerry Magro, a young man with autism who is a college graduate, author and speaker. He shared his inspirational message with high school students, district staff members and interested community members.

• A greater number of retired district employees attended AEF’s annual spring luncheon. Retirees visited with former colleagues and friends, and learned how current educators are using grants from the Appleton Education Foundation to inspire their students.

• Jon S. Stellmacher, retired executive from Thrivent Financial, received the 2016 Thomas G. Scullen Leadership Award for his sustained efforts and advocacy around early childhood education.

• Six new charitable funds joined the Foundation family, bringing the total to 64. AEF provides the perfect vehicle for individuals and families who wish to provide lasting support for their favorite area of educational interest.

We believe 2017 will be memorable, too.

We will be singing “Happy Birthday to AEF” all year long as we celebrate 20 years of creatively enhancing education in our community.

We look back with gratitude to the early leaders and donors who believed in the concept of improving public education with private contributions set up to last for generations. They sparked an idea that continues to burn brightly.

As we look forward to our special anniversary year, we keep the mission in sight: to creatively enhance education in our community. We’ll do that by bringing exciting speakers to Appleton to promote educational excellence in our community. We’ll do that by inviting individuals and families to invest in education by establishing named endowment funds in the AEF.

Together we have accomplished a great deal in the past 20 years. We thank you for your past involvement and welcome your ongoing support – whether you choose to make an annual gift, establish or add to a named fund, or designate a legacy gift.

Thank you for making a difference.

Gary Jahnke  
Board President

Julie Krause  
Executive Director

Autism speaker Kerry Magro told Appleton North High School students he had been bullied for having autism. He encouraged students to accept one another’s differences and treat others with kindness and compassion.
AEF’s cumulative grants over 20 years:

- 2016: $4,228,533
- 2012: $3,143,218
- 2008: $1,620,925
- 2004: $874,420
- 2000: $422,984
- 1996: First conversations about AEF

In Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2016:

- Grant total: $286,222
- Total # of grants: 124 from 46 different charitable funds
- Total assets at end of fiscal year: $5,613,052

*Includes assets of Winagamie, Inc., AEF’s wholly owned subsidiary.
During our last fiscal year (ended June 30, 2016), more than 660 donors contributed to the Appleton Education Foundation. Some gifts established new charitable funds, while others were added to existing funds or were made in memory or in honor of a loved one. We gratefully acknowledge and thank the following donors for their generous gifts during the year.

*This list was made with great care. However, if we have made an error we apologize. Please contact us so we can double-check our records to ensure accuracy in the future.
Students at Valley New School do considerable learning outside of their classroom. They attend advisory team activities, participate in community-based service projects, attend classes at other district schools and serve internships, all at other locations. Students at the project-based charter school for grades 7-12 took their own problem on as a project and found a solution with the help of an Appleton Education Foundation grant. “VNS On the Road” gave them a way to promote physical activity and provided a practical solution to their transportation needs. They applied for the grant to purchase used bikes, along with locks, helmets and other accessories. Students will build racks to store the bikes and teach other students at Valley New School and Appleton Central about bicycle safety.
School nurses provide an important bridge between health care and education. An Appleton Education Foundation grant supplied school nurses with Glogerm kits and accessories for special handwashing presentations in elementary classrooms across the district.

Nurses teach correct handwashing steps and explain how stopping the spread of germs helps reduce illness. They use Glogerm lotion and a black light as a striking way to show students the “germs” present before and after proper handwashing.
Make a forever gift and name the AEF as a beneficiary of your retirement plan or life insurance policy or include a bequest in your will. Learn more. 920-832-1517
My hands are The Best Part of Me because my hands look like me! They also assist me with ALL of my favorite things that I like to do. My hands help me learn from my mistakes. My hands can help each other, like two peas in a pod. My hands are like my eyes and they are The Best Part of Me.

Art teacher Karen Ebben developed “The Best Part of Me” project to increase students’ self-esteem and self-acceptance. She encouraged her sixth-graders to use music and writing to help them reflect on, discover and celebrate what makes them special. Students then worked with a professional photographer to capture an image of their “best part” and wrote an accompanying poem or artist statement. Framed pictures and written works were displayed for the public at The Refuge in spring 2016. A grant from the Ellen Kort Endowment Fund within the Appleton Education Foundation supported the photographer’s fee and provided supplies for the project.
Fourth-grade students at Stephen Foster Elementary Charter School become inventors and entrepreneurs as they design, build and operate a cardboard arcade. Students create games made out of cardboard and other supplies, including wooden craft sticks, paper cups, masking tape, and rubber bands. They apply for positions needed to run an arcade. Think security and maintenance. The arcade opens for one day when younger students play the games to win candy and other coveted prizes. Appleton Education Foundation funding provided equipment and supplies to help ensure this innovative project continues for many years to come.
April 23-29: National Volunteer Week

April 23-29: Palm Sunday

April 23-29: First Day of Passover

April 23-29: Last Day of Passover/Tax Day

April 23-29: AASD Strings Festival 7 p.m. @ Fox Cities Performing Arts Center

April 23-29: Administrative Professionals Day

April 23-29: Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day

April 23-29: Arbor Day

April 23-29: Good Friday

April 23-29: Volunteer Recognition Day

April 23-29: Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day

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Inspired? Learn how to establish your own fund for education. 920-832-1517
Over the past four years, members of the Book Club at Appleton West High School have been meeting weekly to discuss what they are reading, often having the opportunity to chat virtually with authors. The club has grown to more than 60 members. Support from the AWHS Class of 1941 Fund, a designated endowment within the Appleton Education Foundation, helps buy books and subsidize student fees.

“Getting to pick books and then discuss with people who have a similar passion is a really cool experience.”

– Book Club member

Members of the Class of 1941 established this fund in 2006 to support creative projects and programs at Appleton West High School. To date, more than $10,000 has been awarded.
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Teacher Appreciation Week

Teacher Appreciation Day

National Day of Prayer

Mother’s Day

Memorial Day/ Armed Forces Day

Ramadan starts

March 2023

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The Appleton Education Foundation presents the Thomas G. Scullen Leadership Award to someone whose leadership traits and activities have demonstrated a commitment to improving the quality of education in the region. The annual award is given in memory of Dr. Tom Scullen, late superintendent of the Appleton Area School District and one of AEF’s founders. Honorees receive an engraved award and a cash prize of $1,000 to direct to the nonprofit cause of their choice.

- **2008**
  - Donald W. Brown*

- **2009**
  - John E. Mielke, M.D.

- **2010**
  - James W. Perry, Ph.D.

- **2011**
  - Ellen Kort*

- **2012**
  - Susan May, Ph.D.

- **2013**
  - Lou Hull

- **2014**
  - Mary Beth Nienhaus

- **2015**
  - Gary A. Jahnke

- **2016**
  - Jon Stellmacher

* Deceased.
What area of education is most meaningful to you?
Learn how you can have an impact. 920-832-1517

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20th Anniversary of AEF’s tax exempt status

D-Day  AASD Last Day of School  Flag Day

Father’s Day  Juneteenth  Summer Solstice

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JULY

Badger Elementary School music teacher Sarah Phelps used a grant from the Appleton Education Foundation to purchase a singing bowl. Each class now begins with the bowl’s melodic tone. It serves as a sign that students should prepare their minds for music. When the tone fades away, students are ready to listen to directions or start the first activity. It is a special treat for students to have a turn at playing the singing bowl.

“Thank you so much for the grant funding to purchase a singing bowl for Badger! It is helping us to be mindful and musical.”

– Sarah Phelps
The 2017 Knowledge Open golf event is Friday, July 21, at Winagamie Golf Course.
Even after summer has passed, Mile of Music performances continue to gain fans in Appleton schools. Some of the proceeds of the popular original music festival in downtown Appleton go to the Mile of Music Fund within the Appleton Education Foundation to enhance music education for students in district. One of the initial grants provided the first set pieces for Wilson Middle School’s theater department. The school’s performance of High School Musical Jr. involved 60 students, many of whom do not participate in other school activities.
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A nearly 15-year-old prairie garden on the campus shared by Highlands Elementary School and Odyssey was made more usable for teachers, students and the community with an Appleton Education Foundation grant. The prairie is bordered by 18 garden plots, each cultivated by a Hmong family in the school community. These community gardens have increased parental involvement. In addition, a new outdoor classroom space gives teachers another option for a meeting location and hands-on activities.
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**SEPTEMBER**

- **3** (Labor Day)
- **11** (Patriot Day)
- **21** (Rosh Hashana)
- **22** (Fall Equinox)
- **29**
- **30** (Yom Kippur)

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"I Never Saw Another Butterfly" was modeled after a project by Holocaust Museum Houston. Einstein Middle School eighth-graders read books about the Holocaust and selected a child to research. Art, history and language arts teachers integrated their curriculum for this project. In the end, the students designed clay butterflies to represent a Holocaust victim’s life. A grant from AEF provided special tools needed to create the art pieces for the project. Butterflies now are on permanent display at Einstein. Future Einstein students will continue this project.
Appleton East High School students apply engineering skills, learn about the aviation industry and explore careers in aviation as part of their experience in the new Drone Club. Physics teacher Mike Rousch received Appleton Education Foundation funding to purchase kits and related materials that students used to construct and program the drones to achieve safe and controlled flight.

The Drone Club plans to expand its membership and compete with other area schools through a Drone Venture competition being developed with the Experimental Aircraft Association and Fox Valley Technical College.
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Retired principal Nancy Scheuerman and her husband, Tom, wanted to make a difference for teachers new to the Appleton Area School District. In 2015, they established a donor advised fund within the Appleton Education Foundation to help new teachers enhance their classroom and provide a more enriching environment for students. Michelle Mees, fourth- and fifth-grade teacher at Edison Elementary School, received one of the first Scheuerman Fund grants to create a reading space and expand her classroom library.

Nancy and Tom review applications and recommend to AEF which grants to award. They trust that the Foundation will carry out their wishes when they are no longer able to do it.
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In the past fiscal year, the Appleton Education Foundation awarded more than $287,000 in grants to support the following classroom and community projects, educator training, student scholarships and program enhancements not covered by the Appleton Area School District budget.

Grants are from the Appleton Education Foundation Fund – an unrestricted endowment fund – unless otherwise noted.

**Appleton Area School District:**
- Handwashing initiative in all AASD elementary schools.
- Attendance of more than 100 middle and high school students at WE Day Chicago, an inspirational day designed to encourage young people to improve their community and world. (Stoner Fund)
- Visit by author Jonathan Friesen for presentations to AASD high school students, a staff development session and a community presentation at the Appleton Public Library.
- Purchase of electric string instruments and accessories for use in AASD elementary schools. (Mile of Music Fund)
- Summer staff professional development sessions on growth mindset, career-based learning and science at the Positively Educating Healthy Kids Summer Institute.
- Support for education and certification for Math Recovery Trainer, who will train district staff members to diagnose and help students struggling in math.
- AASD student home building project in partnership with Appleton Housing Authority and its companion nonprofit Neighborhood Housing, Inc.
- Unrestricted grants from the Foundation for 19 AASD schools represented at the 2016 golf event, the AEF Knowledge Open. Schools used the funds to upgrade instructional technology, provide additional leveled reading materials, offer staff development and provide support for other programs and activities above and beyond what the site budgets can support. (Opportunity Fund)
- Performances for area elementary school children at the Fox Cities Performing Arts Center. (PAC Student Support Fund)
- Support for the district’s robotics team, including materials and equipment for building robots, and team-related expenses. (NEW Apple Corps Robotics Team Fund)
- Enhancements for the reading tutoring program. (United for Success Tutor Program Fund)
- Support for Junior Math League. (Money Smarts Fund)
- Support student research into school history and a historical display to celebrate East’s 50th year. (Stoner Fund)

**Appleton Community 4K:**
- iPads for use in integrated 4K classrooms at Bridges Child Enrichment Center within the Community Early Learning Center. (Heffron Fund)

**Appleton Public Montessori School:**
- General educational enhancements. (Appleton Public Montessori General Fund)

**Badger Elementary School:**
- Singing bowl to help students focus their minds and prepare for music class.

**Columbus Elementary School:**
- Seating and storage materials to support goals for universal design learning. (Scheuerman Fund)
- Essential oils to increase student focus and concentration.

**Community Early Learning Center of the Fox Valley:**
- Grants from the Appleton Education Foundation Fund and Elementary Education Fund supported the Center, which is home to the Appleton Area School District’s 4K program and diagnostic center, as well as other agencies and programs serving young children.
- Materials to create home literacy bags for use by Community Early Learning Center families.
- Kit drones and practice drones for new Drone Club. (Heffron Fund)
- MinecraftEdu software for use in United States history classes.
- Introduction to yoga to enhance student understanding in world history classes.
- Equipment for school store to help students track inventory, analyze sales and create accounting spreadsheets. (Opportunity Fund)
- Athletic facility enhancements. (Patriot Athletic Club Fund)
- Support student research into school history and a historical display to celebrate East’s 50th year. (Stoner Fund)

**Edison Elementary School:**
- Support for family dinner nights planned and led by a dietician.
- Student-selected books and seating and storage materials. (Scheuerman Fund)
- Guitars and accessories. (Donor pass-through)

**Einstein Middle School:**
- Playaways – preloaded, secure audiobooks with headphones to help struggling readers. (Appleton Education Foundation Fund and Heffron Fund)
- Integrated art, writing and history project. Students read texts about the Holocaust and created ceramic butterflies to represent children lost during that time.

**Einstein Middle School:**
- Integrated art, writing and history project. Students read texts about the Holocaust and created ceramic butterflies to represent children lost during that time.
- Instruction about homelessness, poverty, mental illness and bullying and development of public service announcements for their topic. (Stoner Fund)
- Support student research into school history and a historical display to celebrate East’s 50th year. (Stoner Fund)
Ferber Elementary School:
- Purchase of authentic Hmong books, dolls, story cloths and instruments for classroom lessons and school multicultural night.
- Educational enhancements and basic needs items for at-risk students. (Ferber Compassion Fund)

Foster Elementary Charter School:
- Fitbits as part of an integrated approach to teach students about health and fitness, as well as global health issues.
- Supplies for cardboard arcade games designed and operated by fourth-graders.

Franklin Elementary School:
- Special projects and programs to enhance education. (Pope Fund and donor pass-through)

Highlands/Odyssey Elementary Schools:
- Expansion of school community garden and addition of an outdoor classroom.

Horizons Elementary School:
- Expanding Expression tool kits and other resources to promote vocabulary development for kindergarten students, English language learners and speech/language students. (Melzer Fund)
- One new book for each student. (Reading is a Gift Fund)

Huntley Elementary School:
- Special seating for use by students with learning disabilities. (Melzer Fund)

Jefferson Elementary School:
- Help for at-risk students to participate in extra-curricular activities. (Seeds for Learning Fund)
- Support for IMPACT program. (Donor pass-through)

Johnston Elementary School:
- Enhancements for the school’s cafeteria initiative, designed to encourage a calm atmosphere and promote student discussion during lunchtime.
- General support for school programs. (Donor pass-through)

Lincoln Elementary School:
- Special curriculum to help teach social communication skills.

Madison Middle School:
- Labyrinth pathway on school grounds to increase opportunities for exercising body, mind and spirit.
- Supplies for Wildcat Community Closet, a secure storage space for basic needs items to assist needy students.
- Subscription to The New York Times Upfront magazine for English Language Arts class.
- Enhancements to art department. (Donor pass-through)

Magellan Middle School:
- Support for participants in Wisconsin State Future Problem Solving State Bowl competition. (SAACC Fund)

McKinley Elementary School:
- Teacher guide and supporting texts for lessons about kindness. (Kort Fund)
- Art, photography and poetry project that encouraged students to focus on what they love about themselves. (Kort Fund)
- Video camera for school use. (Tom “Love all” Teachers Fund)
- Playaways – preloaded, secure audiobooks with headphones – for use by students in special education programs. (Appleton Education Foundation Fund and Pitt Fund)

North High School:
- Support student participation in business-related events and activities. (Lang Fund)
- Special seating for use in special education classroom. (Melzer Fund)
- To begin a support group for students with diabetes. (Stoner Fund)

Richmond Elementary School:
- Culturally diverse dolls, puppets and puzzles for kindergarten classrooms to more accurately reflect diverse student population.

Dan Spalding Academy:
- Educational enhancements for at-risk youth attending the Dan Spalding Academy program. (Spalding Fund)

Tesla Engineering Charter School Fund:
- General support for school activities. (Tesla Fund)

Valley New School and Central High:
- Used bicycles and accessories to promote physical activity and provide transportation to student leadership and service learning projects in the community.

Valley New School:
- Support for the school’s operations and activities. (Valley New School Fund)

West High School:
- 3-D printer to help biology and genetics students better understand proteins and genetic material by creating 3-D structures.
- Unique Learning System curriculum and table for use in a special education classroom. (Melzer Fund and Pitt Fund)
- Grants from the Appleton West High School Endowment Fund, the AWHS Class of 1941 Fund, the Gerald E. Hoffman Memorial Fund and the Appleton West High School Historical Fund provided support for the arts and other educational enhancements at the school.
Scholarship Grants

A number of AEF funds provided continuing education scholarships for graduates of Appleton high schools.

Appleton East High School Patriot Athletic Club Scholarship Fund:
• Provides scholarships for East High School seniors who have participated in Patriot Athletic Club-sponsored activities and are planning to pursue post-secondary education.
  2016 Recipients: Rachel Esker, Cole Krause, Brady Reichardt, Megan Schweitzer

Gene Britton Memorial Scholarship Fund:
• Provides a scholarship for a graduating Appleton East, North or West high school senior who attended Einstein Middle School and plans to become an educator.
  2016 Recipient: Alexandria Floodstrand

Pete Carlson Memorial Scholarship Fund:
• Provides a scholarship to a West High School graduate with special interest and ability to pursue a college art degree.
  2016 Recipient: Sydney Vander Linden

Excel Volleyball Scholarship Fund
• Provides a scholarship to a female graduate of West, North or East high school who has played volleyball at least three years of high school.
  2016 Recipient: Megan Schweitzer

Thomas Haag – AEHS Class of ’79 Scholarship Fund:
• Provides a scholarship to an East High School graduate who participated in a sports activity and who has faced and overcome a personal challenge.
  2016 Recipient: Alexis Shannon

Earl W. Harder Memorial Scholarship Fund:
• Provides a scholarship to a West High School graduate who plans to pursue a degree in business
  2016 Recipient: Madelyn Hartjes

Donald and Vivian Hrut Family Scholarship Fund:
• Provides a scholarship for a student from East or West high schools who is planning to pursue a degree in education or culinary arts.
  2016 Recipient: Rebecca Kimball

Columbus Elementary School-Fred Hoffman Memorial Endowment Fund:
• Awards a scholarship to an Appleton Area School District student who attended Columbus Elementary School during his or her elementary years.
  2016 Recipient: Cheng Xiong

Dave Hussey Memorial Fund:
• Provides a scholarship to a graduating college-bound senior. The award rotates annually among Appleton East, West and North high schools.
  2016 Recipient: Abbey Perre

Albert & Mary Rhoades Museum and Charitable Foundation Scholarship Fund for A-Tech:
• Awards scholarships to graduates from Appleton Technical Academy.
  2016 Recipients: Michael Delfosse, Esai Hernandez

Tim Schroeder Memorial Scholarship Fund:
• Provides scholarships for graduating Appleton East High School seniors who have participated in school athletics and plan to pursue post-secondary education.
  2016 Recipients: Rachel Esker, Cole Krause

Valley New School Scholarship Fund:
• Provides scholarships for graduating seniors at Valley New School.
  2016 Recipient: Danielle Witt

WCA Thomas Scullen Memorial Scholarship Fund:
• Provides scholarships for graduates of Wisconsin Connections Academy Charter School who attended an accredited high school and plan to pursue a degree at an accredited university, technical college or trade school.
  2016 Recipient: Noah Langenfeld

The Appleton Education Foundation funded nearly $47,000 in last fiscal year’s two competitive grant cycles. Funds supported educators’ innovative classroom and school project ideas and professional development opportunities. AEF favors projects that demonstrate educational innovation, focus on content enrichment and skills development, and those that have measureable indicators of success.
The Appleton Education Foundation manages endowment and other charitable funds to help individuals, families and businesses make a meaningful difference for education in Appleton.

At the end of fiscal year 2016, the AEF managed the following funds to enhance educational excellence:

### Designated Funds
- Appleton Bilingual Charter School Fund
- Appleton Career Academy Endowment Fund
- Appleton East Library Campaign Fund
- Appleton Public Montessori General Fund
- Appleton West - Addition to Tradition Fund
- AWHS Class of 1941 Fund
- Appleton West High School Class of 45 Fund
- Appleton West High School Endowment Fund
- Appleton West High School Historical Fund
- B.G. Society Fund
- Jinny Bosser Memorial Fund
- Columbus Elementary School – Fred Hoffman Memorial Endowment
- Edison Elementary School Fund
- Elementary Reading Restricted UFRS Fund
- Ferber Elementary School Compassion Fund
- Fox River Academy Fund
- Horizons Elementary “Reading is a Gift” Fund
- Gerald E. Hoffman Memorial Fund
- Paul E. Hoffman Fund for Foster Elementary School
- Kaleidoscope Academy Endowment Fund
- Erik J. Lang North High Business Education Fund
- Tom “Love all” Teachers Fund for McKinley Elementary School
- Tim Meyer Memorial Fund
- NEW Apple Corps Robotics Team Fund
- North Booster Club Endowment Fund
- PAC Student Support Fund
- Hazel Pope - Franklin School Fund
- Albert & Mary Rhoades Fund for A-Tech
- Seeds for Learning Fund
- Dan Spalding Academy Endowment Fund
- Forrest and Roberta Sprowl Fund
- Talented & Gifted Fund
- Teacher Idea Exchange Fund
- Tesla Engineering Education Fund
- United for Success Tutor Program
- Valley New School Fund
- Brad Wiese Family Fund for Literary Arts

### Field of Interest Funds
- Early Childhood Fund
- Diversity Fund
- Betsy Melzer Endowment Fund
- EMMA Nobel Education Fund
- Ellen Kort Endowment Fund
- Mile of Music Fund
- Connie Pitt Memorial Endowment Fund
- SAACC Endowment Fund
- Thomas G. Scullen Leadership Award Fund
- Vira and Alan Stoner Education Fund

### Donor Advised Funds
- Bob and Gerri Heffron Family Endowment Fund
- Scheuerman Family Fund

### Scholarship Funds
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- Valley New School Scholarship Fund
- WCA Thomas Scullen Memorial Scholarship

### Unrestricted Funds
- Appleton Education Foundation Fund
- Opportunity Fund

### GRANTS BY FUND TYPE

- **Scholarship**
  - $51,194
- **Designated**
  - $182,662
- **Field of Interest**
  - $18,198
- **Unrestricted**
  - $24,500
- **Donor Advised**
  - $2,545
- **Pass-through**
  - $8,355

Donors give to charitable funds in the Appleton Education Foundation - or create their own in their name or that of a loved one - to support the area of education most meaningful to them. Some funds enhance education for a specific school or program, others support projects in a particular interest area (like special education), and others provide college scholarships. Unrestricted gifts allow the Foundation to direct funds toward the area of greatest need.
## STATEMENT FINANCIAL POSITION

*June 30, 2016*

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<th>ASSETS</th>
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<td>Cash and cash equivalents</td>
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<td>Investments</td>
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<td>Property and equipment, net</td>
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<td>Capital lease receivable</td>
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<td>Other liabilities</td>
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## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

*For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016*

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<td>Management and general:</td>
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<td>Investment manager fees</td>
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<td>Change in net assets</td>
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*This is a summarized financial statement presentation that does not include Winagamie, Inc., the Appleton Education Foundation’s wholly owned subsidiary. The Appleton Education Foundation is a Supporting Organization of the Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region. A complete audited financial statement of the Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region and Supporting Organizations is available upon request. Auditors: Schenck SC*
Appleton Education Foundation

Timeline

1997  Early leaders establish the Appleton Area Education Foundation.

1998  First grants awarded to creatively enhance education in AASD. Funded by board member contributions.
      First named endowment established to remember beloved AASD physical therapist Betsy Melzer.
      Board of Directors revises name to Appleton Education Foundation.

1999  First grants awarded from unrestricted endowment earnings.

2000  AEF stewards 16 charitable funds.

2002  AEF stewards 21 charitable funds.

2004  Unrestricted endowment assets pass $1 million, reaching the initial goal set by founding board.

2005  Julie Krause is hired as AEF’s first executive director.

2006  AEF purchases condo space in City Center East in downtown Appleton. The majority of the space is leased to AASD for its administrative needs and AEF uses the rest for its own offices.
      Foundation launches the “Brain to Five” initiative, bringing experts in early brain development and learning to Appleton for free, public presentations.

2007  AEF expands capacity by adding a half-time administrative assistant.
      AEF stewards 42 charitable funds.

2008  First Thomas G. Scullen Leadership Award is presented to Donald W. Brown.

2013  AEF expands capacity by hiring full-time development and communications coordinator.
      Winagamie, Inc., parent company of Winagamie Golf Course, is gifted to AEF by longtime AASD teacher and coach Mary Beth Nienhaus. The golf course business deepens AEF’s educational partnerships with AASD and Fox Valley Technical College through beyond-the-classroom experiences.

2016  AEF’s total grant-making exceeds $4 million in support of educational programs and projects in Appleton public schools and community.
      AEF stewards 64 charitable funds.
      Plans under way to celebrate foundation’s first 20 years and look ahead to the next 20.

In Tribute

Making a donation to the Appleton Education Foundation is a meaningful way to honor or remember the people who have made a difference in your life.

**Honorariums**

Between July 1, 2015, and June 30, 2016, the Foundation received gifts in honor of the following people:

- James Donnellan
- Johnston Elementary School Staff
- Keith Kohlman
- Tara Kraft-Mahnke
- Robert and Lisa Ross
- Jeanine Zornow

**Memorials**

Between July 1, 2015, and June 30, 2016, the Foundation received gifts in memory of the following people:

- Tyler Baseman
- Bob Brandt
- Kay Chicquette
- Azalea Dunlap
- Janet Giguire
- John Gurholt
- Bill Hartling
- Tom Haag
- Dave Hash
- Ron Knorr
- Ellen Kort
- James Kuebler
- Don Laedtke
- Erik Lang
- Lois Mattern
- Brian McMahon
- Kyle McCarthy
- Betsy Melzer
- Tim Meyer
- Deb Mielke
- Bill Mielke
- Ellen Mielke
- Anderson
- Keith Mosholder
- Sherwood Russell
- Jay Sauter
- Wayne Schroeder
- Alyce Slapceva
- Carol Slowinski
- Maynard Sohr
- Rod Weber
- Brad Wiese
Board of Directors

Directors
Judy Baseman
David Burrows
Lou Chicquette
Bob Duimstra
Dan Flannery (Vice President)
Pam Gruner (Vice President)
Amy Henselin
Gary Jahnke (President)

Ex-Officio Directors
Lee Allinger
AASD Superintendent

Candice Breitengross, Vice President
Appleton Education Association

Sharon Fenlon, President
AASD Board of Education

Staff
Lisa Jabas
Administrative Assistant

Lori Kaufman
Development & Communications Coordinator

Julie Krause
Executive Director

Committee Members

Marlene Angevine (ret)
Judy Baseman (bd, grt)
Candice Breitengross (bd, grt)
Gordon Case (ret)
Bob Duimstra (bd, bde)
Marcia Engen (ret)
Dan Flannery (bd, exe, com)
Mary Furlong (ret)
Pam Gruner (bd, grt, exe*)
Amy Henselin (bd, bde)
Don Hietpas (glf, grt)
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Tim McKeag (bd, exe, rde, glf)

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Sally Mielke (grt)
Ann Moe (ret)
Shari Moscinski (ret)
Judy Phillips (ret)
Robin Reif (ret*)
Joe Sargent (glf)
Alan Schroeder (ret*)
Paul Shrode (bd, bde)
Bob Simon (grt)
Vira Stoner (com, ret)
Tina Tillman (grt)
Joni VandenHeuvel (ret)
Teena VanDriest (grt)
Maria Van Laanen (bd, bde)
Jennifer Voigt (bd, exe)
Barb Walstrom (ret)
Dave Willems (com)
Judy Winzenz (com, ret)

Membership Codes
bd  Board of Directors
bde  Board Development Committee
com  Communications Committee
exe  Executive Committee
glf  Golf Outing Committee
grt  Grants Committee
rde  Resource Development Committee
ret  AASD Retiree Committee
*  Chair

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To creatively enhance education in our community.

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