

THOMPSON EDUCATION FOUNDATION

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT – Kim Akeley-Charron

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1. With three employees, we implemented a TEF staff meeting every other week.
2. Working to set up a meeting with Jim Tolstrup at High Plains Environmental Center to choose an annual Saturday to hold the Loveland Classic. He hosts spring events and hesitates to hold them on the same day which has caused us some scheduling hiccups in the past. Hoping we can all agree on a consistent schedule with this much lead time before the spring 2023 event.
3. The Youth Shelter discussions are continuing with the district, The Matthews House, the County and other entities. This initial focus is for a budget and narrative for the state's upcoming ARPA grant window.
4. All the 2022 scholarships have been finalized and paid out to various schools. There were a few that came in over the summer that delayed closing the books on 2022.
5. I am assisting Larissa Clark, TSD's Science Coordinator, with the 2021 Pulliam Grant Report (StarLab and outdoor education center maintenance) and the 2022 request (likely transportation for additional fieldtrips with a groundwork discussion on a potential 2023-2024 TSD project). The final 2021 report is due mid-September and the 2022 funding meeting will be in October.
6. The end of year fundraising catalog hasn't had much momentum during the past few weeks but it will kick back into production when I return from vacation.
7. The IgnitED grant from OtterCares was used to fund both the April 4 planning event and the T3 event in August. Of the \$50,000 awarded, \$7,690.25 remains for the year. The Learning Services team will use the remainder to cover after hour meetings for teachers to continue the work.