



STILLWATER PUBLIC SCHOOLS
STILLWATER BOARD OF EDUCATION

PREPARED BY: Mrs. Kristie Newby, MBA, CFE, Chief Financial Officer
APPROVED BY: Mr. Tyler Bridges, Superintendent
DATE: September 9, 2025

AGENDA ITEM:

Larry Allred Memorial Golf Scholarship

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Consider and Vote to approve moving the Larry Allred Memorial Golf Scholarship from Activity Funds to the SPEF account.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Larry Allred Memorial Golf Scholarship was not set up as intended years ago. It was set up in the school activity fund where it draws little interest. The founder of the scholarship wishes for all previous and future funds to be moved to the Stillwater Public Education Foundation.



Date: August 25, 2025

To: The Honorable Stillwater Public Schools Board Members

From: Mrs. Kristie Newby, MBA, CFE, IAP

Subject: Funds mistakenly placed in activity funds instead of SPEF

I was contacted by Ms. Emily Lewis of the Stillwater Public Education Foundation (SPEF) earlier this month. She had been approached by Ms. Gladeen B. Allred, who was concerned that the donation she had provided approximately 20 years ago had not been set up as a Larry Allred Memorial Golf Scholarship endowment with SPEF, but had accidentally been deposited into an activity fund with Stillwater Public Schools for the same project. She just learned of the error, wanted the mistake corrected and a payment for all funds in the activity fund to be provided to SPEF so they could set up the endowment.

I explained that, legally, it was inappropriate to have an activity fund pay SPEF, but that since it was technically not ever meant to be in an activity fund, if Ms. Allred would write me a letter explaining the situation and her desire that it be corrected, I would submit it to our Board for approval.

Attached to this memo is Ms. Allred's email to me that was received on 8/23/25 detailing the issue, her concerns, and the request to direct the funds to SPEF as she originally intended. Please consider her request to correct the error. Once you approve, I will direct the Activity Funds Custodian to proceed with the process to remit the remaining funds to SPEF.

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Re: Larry Allred Memorial Golf Scholarship

4 messages

Newby, Kristie <knewby@stillwaterschools.com>

Sat, Aug 23, 2025 at 5:45 PM

To: Gladeen Allred <gladeenallred@gmail.com>, "Boggs, Rachel" <rboggs@stillwaterschools.com>, Ronald McElliott <rmcelliot@stillwaterschools.com>

Cc: "jbradshaw@stillwaterschools.com" <jbradshaw@stillwaterschools.com>, "rpatzkowski@stillwaterschools.com"

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Ms. Allred,

Sorry to hear this was not handled as you intended. I will have this submitted to the SPS Board in September for approval. Once the board approves, I will have a check cut to SPEF.

Rachel and Mac,

Please have this request via email from Ms. Allred put on the September Board agenda for approval.

On Saturday, August 23, 2025, Gladeen Allred <gladeenallred@gmail.com> wrote:

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> Sent from my iPhone

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Thank you so much. We appreciate your support.

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Newby, Kristie <knewby@stillwaterschools.com>

Sun, Aug 24, 2025 at 6:09 PM

To: "Boggs, Rachel" <rboggs@stillwaterschools.com>, Ronald McElliott <rmcelliot@stillwaterschools.com>

I will type out a letter to the Board explaining the situation and asking for their approval on cutting a check to SPEF and we can attach this email behind it.

----- Forwarded message -----

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