



Foundation Report

Prepared for 4/30/2024 WTC Foundation Board Meeting by Sheila Hale

Foundation Donations - Pam Browning donated \$10,000 to establish the Stacy James Browning Memorial Scholarship Fund, an endowed scholarship extension of the dedicated scholarship created in December 2023. Mrs. Browning would like the original \$10,000 to fund a student scholarship at WTC until the endowed account can grow to support students each year. She hopes that additional contributions will be made by community citizens who loved Stacy and desire to preserve his legacy.

Scholarships – The electronic format for the Foundation Scholarship Application was by far the best-utilized option and well worth the investment! The cost of investment for 1 year of the JotForm program is \$174 with the nonprofit discount and averages to a little under \$4 per application accepted through the system. This year, 45 applications were received through JotForm compared to 32 for the 2023-24 cycle and 55 for the 2022-23 cycle.

The WTC Foundation Scholarship program received 56 scholarship applications, with 44 submitted to the scholarship committee. One application was received but was missing the 500-word essay and required transcript to proceed with consideration. The student was contacted and did not respond with materials as requested.

The 2023-24 scholarship committee is composed of:

- Dr. Beebe, WTC President
- Eddie Peterson, Board of Trustees President
- Ralph Ramon, Dean of Student Services
- Tevian Sides, Director of Financial Aid
- Isrell Lawson, College Relations Coordinator

Of the 55 scholarships presented to the scholarship committee for consideration, 33 are involved in athletics, and 21 are not involved in athletics.

45 of the applicants are attending Western Texas College for an academic basic education pathway, whereas 8 are attending for a Career and Technical Education program; 3 are attending for the Farm and Ranch Management program, 2 are attending for Mass Communications, and 3 are attending for the Welding program. 2 of the applicants stated that they are undecided on a major while being involved in athletics.

I owe a debt of gratitude to each Scholarship Committee member for their participation in the awarding process this year. I am beyond thankful for their help in ensuring that we have done our due diligence by our donors.