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Policy for Establishing an Organizational Scholarship Fund

1. The Executive Director meets with the prospective organization to determine philanthropic intent for the scholarship.
2. The criteria for the scholarship is discussed with the organization, as well as the required involvement of the Community Foundation as follows:
 - 1) The Community Foundation must approve all members of the advisory committee.
 - 2) Donors and related parties may not control the committee directly or indirectly.
 - 3) The criteria are determined at the time the fund is established.
 - 4) All scholarships are awarded on objective and nondiscriminatory bases.
 - 5) The Community Foundation must approve all scholarships and checks are only made payable to institutions.
 - 6) The Community Foundation follows-up on scholarships and receives documentation of actual school attendance.
3. All fund agreements give the Foundation the “sole discretion..... to invest and and reinvest the Fund in a prudent manner and the power to commingle assets of the Fund with those of other funds for investment purposes.” (paragraph 4)
4. Scholarship funds are meant to be perpetual unless otherwise noted in the fund agreement.
5. The selection of the investment pool is determined by the Executive Director, in discussion with the organization, at the time a fund is established. Generally, funds are only invested in the Endowment Pool when they reach \$10,000 or when the donor requests their funds be put in the endowment pool with the intention to build an endowment over time. At this time, funds are only in one investment pool.
6. At the time a fund is established, the organization may recommend individuals to the advisory committee. All advisors must be approved by the Community Foundation. Conflict of interest disclosures will be required of advisors. In the absence of named advisors, the Community Foundation will continue the scholarship process, preserving the criteria of the fund.
7. After a fund is established, the organization may recommend changing the name of the fund. The organization may also expand the scholarship criteria but may not further restrict the scholarship criteria. The organization may not change the original fund agreement or impose any material restrictions on the use of the fund.

THE YAMPA VALLEY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
ORGANIZATION SCHOLARSHIP AGREEMENT

This Agreement is made this _____ day of _____, _____ between _____
_____ ("Organization") and The
Yampa Valley Community Foundation, a Colorado nonprofit corporation (the "Foundation"),

RECITALS

1. The above referenced organization is desirous of donating assets to the Foundation, and the Foundation is willing to hold and administer a charitable fund to be known as the _____ Scholarship Fund (the "Fund") pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. The Organization understands the purpose of the Foundation is to benefit the students in the geographical area of Routt and Moffat counties of Colorado.

It is agreed as follows:

1. The Foundation received the following assets _____ to establish the Fund in the Foundation. The Foundation may receive additional irrevocable gifts acceptable to the Foundation from time to time to be added to the Fund, all subject to the provisions hereof. The Foundation has the right to liquidate and manage all assets in accordance with its policies and procedures.
2. The primary purpose of the Fund shall be for providing scholarships to students graduating from high schools in Routt or Moffat Counties or attending the colleges in Routt or Moffat Counties with specific criteria as determined by the Advisory Committee and provided to the schools and the Foundation with an application process. This application process will be made public to allow the most students meeting the scholarship criteria to be considered by the Advisory Committee.
3. The organization may recommend such persons who shall comprise the "Advisory Committee" for purposes of this Agreement and list the Advisory Committee on the attached Advisor Information Sheet as included in this agreement. The Advisory Committee must be approved by the Foundation. A member of the Foundation Board of Trustees or Staff of the Foundation may be a member of the Advisory Committee. The Advisory Committee may from time to time submit to the Board of Trustees of the Foundation written recommendations with respect to distributions of income of the Fund. The Advisory Committee shall conduct its activities in accordance with such rules and procedures as the Community Foundation may establish. The scholarship application form and criteria will be provided to the Foundation as part of the required information related to the fund. The Foundation will maintain copies of applications and may attend meetings to ensure the limit of individual control over the process. All expenses and liabilities incurred by the Advisory Committee in connection with its activities and affairs shall be the sole responsibility of the individuals on the committee and shall not be reimbursed by the Fund.

4. The Foundation shall have all powers necessary and in its sole discretion desirable to carry out the purposes of the Fund, including, but not limited to, the power to sell, retain, invest and reinvest the Fund in a prudent manner and the power to commingle the assets of the Fund with those of other funds for investment purposes.

5. It is the intent that the principal of the Fund shall be held by the Foundation as permanent endowment funds. Earnings received from the principal portion of the Fund shall be termed Distributable Funds, and shall be made available for distribution in accordance with the primary purpose of the Fund and with investment and spending policies adopted by the Foundation and amended from time to time. All such payments shall be made at such times, in such proportions and for such general or specific charitable purposes as the Foundation deems appropriate and, wherever possible, in furtherance of the expressed purpose(s) of the Fund and the mission of the Foundation. The Advisory Committee may from time to time submit to the Foundation the names of students that the committee has recommend for scholarships. All recommendations from the Advisory Committee for distributions from the Fund shall be solely advisory, and the Foundation may accept or reject them. Distributions approved by the Board of Trustees will only be made payable to institutions. The organization and members of the Advisory Committee may not receive any personal benefit from any distributions from the Fund.

6. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Fund shall at all times be held and administered in accordance with the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws of the Foundation, all of which are accepted by the Organization, including such provisions relating to amendment or termination of designations of specific organizations, restrictions with respect to the use of principal or income, and other directions or advice from donors. The Organization acknowledges that under the provisions of the Articles and Bylaws of the Foundation, the Board of Trustees of the Foundation shall have the power to modify or eliminate any designation, restriction or condition on the distribution of funds for any specific charitable purposes or designated organization if in its sole judgment (without the necessity or the approval of any participating trustee, custodian or agent) such designation, restriction or condition becomes, in effect, unnecessary, undesirable, impractical, incapable of fulfillment or inconsistent with the charitable needs of the Foundation and the community it serves.

7. The Fund shall continue so long as any established minimum level of assets is available in the Fund and for as long as the purposes of the Fund can be served by its continuation. If the Fund is terminated for either of the above reasons, the Foundation shall devote any remaining assets in the Fund exclusively for charitable purposes that:

- A. are within the scope of the charitable purposes of the Foundation's Articles of Incorporation; and
- B. most nearly approximate, in the good faith opinion of the Board, the original purpose of the fund.

8. All money and property in the Fund shall be assets of the Foundation and not a separate trust.

9. It is understood and agreed that the Fund shall share a fair portion of the total administrative costs of the Foundation. The annual administrative cost charged twice per year against the Fund is currently set in the amount of 1% percent of the average annual balance, with a minimum fee of \$250 per year. The administrative fee varies for funds with balances in excess of \$500,000. The Foundation reserves the right to change the administrative cost as it may in its sole discretion decide. Any costs to the

Foundation in accepting, transferring or managing property donated to the Foundation for the Fund shall also be paid from the Fund, including credit cards, stock gifts and any other assets.

10. It is intended by the Foundation that federal gift, income and estate tax charitable deductions shall be allowed to donors and to their estates and that the Foundation shall continue to qualify as an organization described in Section 170 (c)(1) or (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 2005 as amended. This entire Agreement shall be construed and applied so as to comply with the requirements of federal tax law for allowance of such charitable deductions and for such qualifications. The Foundation is authorized to amend this Agreement, by unilateral action, to conform to the provisions of any applicable law or regulation in order to carry out the foregoing intention. This agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Colorado. It is intended that this agreement, in addition, comply with the National Standards for Community Foundations and may be amended at any time necessary to comply with these standards and any other changes required as a result of federal or state legislation. This agreement and any duly signed addenda constitute the entirety of the Agreement.

ACCEPTED

ORGANIZATION

By: _____ Date: _____

THE YAMPA VALLEY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
A Colorado Nonprofit Corporation

By: _____ Date: _____

Information for Contact to Receive Fund Statements:

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Investment Addendum Advised Fund Agreement

Fund Name:

The Yampa Valley Community Foundation now has two investment options for donors to choose between when a fund is established. Investment allocations and options are governed by the Investment Policy and are monitored by the Investment Committee. The Yampa Valley Community Foundation has the power to sell, retain, invest and reinvest funds in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Fund Agreement and its Investment Policy. The Yampa Valley Community Foundation makes no guarantees as to the rate of return of either pool.

Donors have the option of selecting **one pool per fund**. Please select one of the investment options below.

_____ **Pool 1 – The Endowment Pool:** This pool is currently invested in 2% cash, 68% equities and 30% fixed income securities. Changes in investment allocation are at the sole discretion of the Yampa Valley Community Foundation Board of Directors. Endowments are normally established to increase the value of funds over time and grant only a small percentage of the balance each year depending on earnings and desire of the fund advisor(s). It is understood that the balances of the endowment funds fluctuate with financial markets and this option likely entails more risk to principal.

_____ **Pool 2 – The Fixed Income Pool:** This pool is currently invested in a brokerage money market account. Changes in investment vehicles are at the sole discretion of the Yampa Valley Community Foundation Board of Directors. Generally, this pool is for temporary (non-endowed) funds or where fund advisors seek to have less risk of the fund principal.

Fund Advisor:

YVCF:

Signature: _____

By: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____



Organization Advisor Information

Fund Name: _____

Current Advisory Committee: (These are the individuals approved by the Community Foundation as the Advisory Committee).

Please indicate the individuals that may sign the Donor-Advised Scholarship Recommendations for this Fund.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Position: _____

Note: This form may be changed by appropriate organizational representative.